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News worth sharing.

▶ Sir Elton John and his Toronto-born partner, David Furnish, arrive at the Canon Theatre last night for the Canadian premiere of Billy Elliot The Musical. Furnish is executive producer of the show, which features music written by Sir Elton.

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Sir Elton walks the red carpet

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Fare cheats cost TTC $22M: Audit

Many drivers fear assault if they confront riders, says transit union chief Mostly, though, drivers are loath to hold up a bus full of people trying to get home, he adds

The TTC is trying to figure out why money lost to turnstile jumpers and riders who treat the fare box like a donation box doubled in 2010, costing the system about $22 million, or about two per cent of fare revenues.

An unpublished draft report on the latest fare-evasion audit shows that — after about five years of losing one per cent of revenue — losses to fare evasion jumped in 2010.

Transit officials are at a loss to explain the spike and hope that it's just an anomaly. But late last year, the TTC launched a new Fare is Fair program, whereby transit enforcement officers are targeting common methods of cheating.

They include the practice of passing off an invalid transfer by holding a thumb over the date or flashing it too quickly for the driver to make it out.

Cheating usually rises when there's been a fare change, but that wasn't the case last year, TTC chief general manager Gary Webster said yesterday.

The TTC has successfully taken steps to reduce some forms of cheating, such as adding a hologram feature to the Metropass and eliminating adult tickets.

"We don't know if it's a one-off. We think it might be. There's nothing significantly that's changed out there."
GARY WEBSTER, TTC CHIEF GENERAL MANAGER, ON THE JUMP IN LOSSES TO FARE EVASION

Operators know that at crowded intersections some riders board with a Metropass and then pass it out a rear window to a friend waiting in line, said transit union president Bob Kinnear, who believes the TTC significantly underestimates what it loses to cheaters.

"Upwards of 10 per cent of people are evading fares," said Kinnear, recalling his own years as a driver. There's nothing bus drivers can do to stop the practice, he added.

"The vast majority of our operators use very good judgment and they get to know when it's fair to give people a break," Webster said. "We want them to do their job ... but we don't expect them to put themselves at risk."

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Jurors urged to acquit Shawn Vassel

Accused killer Shawn Vassel has done many bad things in his life but he didn't murder a Mississauga man during a planned drug ripoff, defence lawyer Nathan Gorham told jurors yesterday.

Husam Dagheim, 27, was shot dead with a bullet to his heart in front of his wife as he sat in his minivan on Dec. 2, 2007.

Vassel, 27, has pleaded not guilty to second-degree murder.

Crown prosecutor Brian McGuire says Vassel shot Dagheim "almost at point-blank range" in a planned drug ripoff with Tristan Palmer and Mike Agba, both of whom have been convicted of manslaughter.

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▶ Husam Dagheim

Detective charged

A Toronto police detective has been charged in the unauthorized use of a police computer for allegedly conducting improper background checks.

Sgt. Wayne Lakey of 55 Division in the east end was brought before a Toronto police tribunal. He now faces a charge of unauthorized use of a computer under the criminal code of Canada.

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Life. Saver

▶ Amanda Stokes, 21, will be donating a kidney this Friday to her husband, Jamie, 28. The couple is shown with their children Kaydance, 3, and Colten, 1, in Oshawa yesterday.

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Wife to donate kidney to husband

Diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes at age 7, Jamie Stokes has suffered from kidney failure and been on disability since 2008. "There was no question in my mind that I would donate my kidney because I can't imagine my children growing up without their dad," says his wife, Amanda.

[redacted]n refuse to resign

▶ Mayor Ford called for housing board citizens to step down following auditor's reports ▶ Terms are scheduled to run until Dec. 31

The seven citizen members of the Toronto Community Housing board of directors have openly defied Mayor Rob Ford's call for their resignation, issuing a statement yesterday in which they challenged the auditor general and said they will not step down in response to a demand made "through the media."

The statement came after TCHC chief executive officer Keiko Nakamura refused to resign.

Nakamura surprised Ford by rejecting a resignation demand from him during a brief meeting on Monday, a source with knowledge of the conversation said.

Only council has the authority to replace citizen board members.

In their statement, the seven TCHC citizen members appeared to dare Ford to bring the matter to the council floor.

"The mayor has asked us through the media to resign. We would ask the mayor to document his reasons why private citizens who have volunteered their time because they believe in giving back should be replaced.

If city council wishes to nominate directors to replace us, we will of course abide by the wishes of council. In the meantime, we have 164,000 constituents that we will continue to serve," the statement concluded.

Ford called for their resignations after auditor Jeffrey Griffiths released reports that said the TCHC had wasted $4 million to $10 million through no-bid contracts and tens of thousands more in lavish employee expenses.

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TCHC members

Under council's policy on public appointments, citizens serve "at the pleasure of council."

1. Council also retains the right to replace any appointed member at any time for any reason.
2. The city followed a rigorous appointments process, says Coun. Janet Davis, who served on the panel that recommended the seven citizen members.

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Mock. Funeral

▶ Demonstrators hold a mock funeral for caribou outside a restricted public-consultation meeting held by the Ministry of Natural Resources in downtown Toronto yesterday.

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Activists worry about caribou digs

Greenpeace and Earthroots claim the McGuinty government plans to exempt the forest industry from protecting caribou habitat under the Endangered Species Act.

Giambrone asked to repay expenses

From May to October, Adam Giambrone spent about $7,000 on travel to public transit conferences

Former TTC chair Adam Giambrone can expect a bill for the $3,500 he overspent on his $125,000 chair's fund last year.

City councillors on the Toronto Transit Commission voted to issue a formal request that Giambrone pay back the amount he overspent and bring back his response to the commission in April.

It is the first time that a TTC chair has exceeded the budget that pays for additional office staff, travel and other expenses, said TTC general secretary Vincent Rodo.

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▶ Adam Giambrone

The chair's budget is in addition to the $50,000 office budget Giambrone received as a city councillor.

Calling Giambrone's spending "remarkable and outrageous," Coun. Denzil Minnan-Wong said the public is "outraged when they look at a massive summary of expenses that he used for self promotion."

A report on Giambrone's expenses showed he spent about $72,000 on staff, $20,000 on a chair's report outlining the TTC's progress under his leadership and its future challenges.

A further $16,000 was spent on a video version of the report.

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8 people were arrested in the GTA fraud investigation. More than 100 charges are planned, say police.

Fraud ring busted

Eight people from the Greater Toronto Area are facing charges of belonging to an organized crime fraud ring.

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Officers cleared of wrongdoing

Toronto police officers who shot and injured a stabbing suspect last December have been cleared of any wrongdoing. Jonathan Duarte was shot twice in the stomach on Dec. 3.

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Streetcar evacuated over gum

White powder discovered on a seat of a TTC College streetcar was identified as aged chewing gum after it caused nearby roads to close and led to the evacuation of the streetcar near Bay Street.

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▶ David Hao, the lawyer for the accused.

No bail in elder abuse case

A Toronto couple will spend at least two more weeks in police custody after allegedly leaving a 68-year-old woman in an unheated garage all winter.

Kwong Yan, 43, and Qi Tan, 28, were arrested Feb. 25 and charged with failing to provide the necessities of life and criminal negligence causing bodily harm. The combined charges carry a 15-year maximum sentence.

Neither displayed any emotion as they appeared in a Scarborough courtroom via video link from separate detention centres yesterday. Each has been remanded in custody until a March 15 court appearance.

Paramedics found the woman unconscious and suffering from frostbite in the uninsulated garage of a Scarborough home on Feb. 23. She was taken to hospital where she remains in life-threatening condition after suffering a stroke.

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Pinball's 'choc' full of kindness

Argos' icon wants you to be nice to someone today — and he sweetens the plea with a chocolate bar

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Pedestrians got a treat at Yonge-Dundas Square yesterday.

Michael "Pinball" Clemons, former head coach and player for the CFL's Toronto Argonauts — along with Mars Canada Inc. — handed out chocolate bars to promote Random Acts of Chocolate, a campaign to challenge Canadians to be "Kindness Ambassadors."

"Kindness is the foundation and building block of our community," said Clemons, who currently serves as an Argos executive.

"If all we did was take from our community, our community would become depleted."

Mars Canada plans to share 8.8 million chocolate bars across Canada and encourages Canadians to participate on marsacts.ca or facebook.com/marsacts.

The campaign doesn't stop there. Canadians are also challenged to commit 50,000 acts of kindness this year and submit each act to be measured by a "Kindness Meter."

"It is our aim to … promote this," said Clemons. "This is an opportunity to recharge the battery.… Let's remember to be kind to each other."

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▶ One of a kind: Michael 'Pinball' Clemons is on the ball as he hands out chocolate bars at Yonge-Dundas Square yesterday.

Panhandler guilty in fatal Queen W. stabbing

A panhandler has been found guilty of second-degree murder in the fatal stabbing of a man in downtown Toronto.

Nicole Kish, 24, had pleaded not guilty in the stabbing, which happened on Queen Street, west of Bathurst Street, on Aug. 9, 2007.

Court was told Ross Hammond, 32, and his friend George Dranichak were bar hopping when they got into a verbal altercation with a woman who asked them for money.

Dranichak told the trial the woman started screaming and a crowd suddenly appeared.

He said the two men became separated and he left in a taxi, believing Hammond had also left the area.

The Crown alleged Kish attacked Hammond, of St. Catharines, with a knife, while defence lawyers argued someone else could have stabbed the victim in the melee.

Hammond's widow, Kara, said, "Ross is never coming back and that's the reality that we have to face, but we couldn't have asked for anything better in today's outcome."

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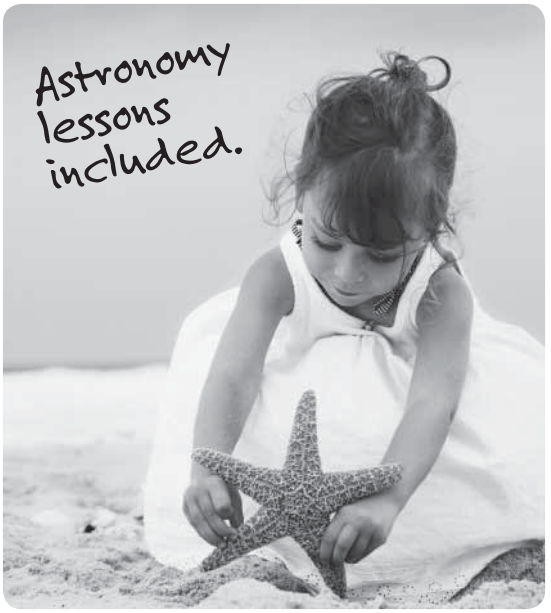
▶ Kara Hammond remembers her husband, stabbing victim Ross Hammond.

Joy and tears

Outside the courthouse, there was joy over the verdict but sadness over a past that will never return.

▶ Hammond's sister, Gina, said, "He was amazing. My children only referred to him as uncle, just uncle, because it was like pinning a medal on him."



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Mass exodus from Libya creates crisis

Thousands of migrants await authorization to enter Tunisia ‘Urgent need to decongest border area’: Official Many thousands of people also stranded at Benghazi port

Violence and chaos in Libya have triggered an exodus of more than 140,000 refugees to Tunisia and Egypt, a UN official said yesterday, as aid workers warned the situation at the Tunisian border has reached crisis point.

Officials say the situation has been made even more volatile by humanitarian aid workers being blocked from reaching western Libya, patients reportedly being executed in hospitals, or shot by gunmen hiding in ambulances

At the Libya-Tunisia border — where authorities say up to 75,000 people have gathered in just nine days — “the situation is reaching crisis point,” UN refugee agency spokeswoman Melissa Fleming warned.

She said 14,000 people fled to Tunisia on Monday and another 15,000 were expected to flee yesterday.

The UN is setting up enough tents to hold 12,000 people and plans two more airlifts tomorrow to bring in tents and supplies for 10,000 more, but water supplies are “precarious,” she warned.

Italy said late yesterday after an emergency meeting on the Libya crisis that it will send a humanitarian mission to the Tunisian border to assist some 10,000 refugees.

In Egypt, authorities said another 69,000 people have fled into the country from Libya in the past 10 days, most of them Egyptians who have already been taken to other towns and cities.

Thousands of Vietnamese and Bangladeshis at the Libyan side of the border with Tunisia are “in urgent need of food, water and shelter,” said Jemini Pandya, a spokeswoman for International Organization for Migration. Nepalese, Ghanaians and Nigerians are also sleeping unprotected at the borders, she added.

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Rebel city Zawiya

- Residents of the rebel-held city closest to Libya’s capital celebrated with a victory march yesterday after repelling an overnight attack by Moammar Gadhafi’s forces.
- But troops loyal to the longtime leader clamped down on a strategic mountain town as they fought to reclaim areas near Tripoli, residents said.
- The rebels have been fighting to consolidate their gains as the international community weighs new moves to isolate the longtime Libyan leader, including the possibility of creating a no-fly zone over Libya.
- U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton warned that Libya is at risk of collapsing into a “protracted civil war” amid increasingly violent clashes between the two sides.
- Witnesses in Zawiya said pro-Gadhafi forces battled rebels for six hours overnight but could not retake control of the city 50 kilometres west of Tripoli. They said the last of several assaults by the Gadhafi loyalists came at around 3 a.m. local time.

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▶ A member of the Tunisian army watches over thousands of men waiting to enter Tunisia from Libya yesterday in Ras Jdir, Tunisia.

Canada to deploy relief warship

Canada will send a warship to Libya, adding to the international military build-up in the region, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said yesterday.

The Halifax-based frigate, HMCS Charlottetown, is expected to conduct humanitarian relief operations in conjunction with an American carrier battle group led by the nuclear-powered USS Enterprise.

Harper said the warship will depart today.

"I am proud that the Charlottetown will rapidly be joining Canadian and allied forces to participate in this effort in Libya," Harper told the House of Commons.

News of the short-notice deployment came on the same day as a Canadian military Hercules transport, en route to pick up stranded oil workers, was turned back from Libya.

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Pic depicting cop playing solitaire prompts probe

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An image that appears to show a police officer in a cruiser playing computer solitaire has spurred an investigation within the Windsor police force.

The photo, which now has the City of Windsor emblem blocked out, surfaced online about a week ago.

Deputy Chief Al Frederick said the force has so far been unable to identify the officer.

"We do know the vehicle involved, obviously, but those cars are operating 24-7 so there are different officers in them three times a day at minimum," Frederick said.

No public complaint has been filed, however Frederick is still trying to pinpoint the time, date and location of the photo. The image shows the back of a cruiser and a person in front of a computer screen with a solitaire game open.

▶ A Windsor police officer allegedly playing solitaire on a cruiser laptop.

Some officers saw the photo online before Frederick was handed a printed copy at a meeting, he said.

Potential disciplinary measures won't be discussed until more is known about the incident.

"Before we decide what our reaction's going to be, we certainly want to identify the circumstances under which the photo was taken," Frederick said. "Maybe the vehicle was out of service, we don't know."

Games like solitaire aren't normally installed on cruiser computers, referred to as mobile data terminals, normally used for tasks like writing reports, Frederick said.

Like any laptop, however, the computer could run a program from a USB drive, he said.

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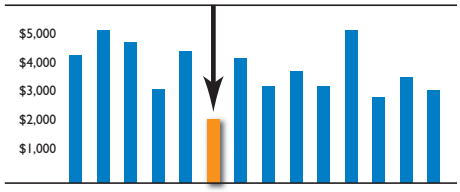

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Court backs Elections Canada's take on financing

The Federal Court of Appeal has struck down a ruling that Conservatives say cleared them of any wrongdoing in the so-called in-and-out election financing scheme.

The unanimous, three-judge panel ruling confirms Elections Canada's interpretation of electoral spending laws and says it was reasonable for the electoral watchdog to be dissatisfied with the way the Conservative party reported national advertising expenses for the 2006 election.

Elections Canada maintains the scheme allowed the national party to exceed its spending limit by more than $1 million, while letting candidates claim rebates on expenses they hadn't actually incurred.

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Protests. Yemen

▶An anti-government protester shouts during a demonstration in Yemen yesterday.

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Pressing the president to leave

Demonstrators demanded the resignation of Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh, in Sanaa, Yemen, yesterday. Yemen's embattled president has accused the United States and Israel of trying to destabilize his country and the Arab world.

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EMBRACE TWITTER:

Industry Minister Tony Clement says among his over 12,000 followers on Twitter, around 2,000 are reporters

Don't fear the tweeter.

That was Industry Minister Tony Clement's message to MPs grilling him yesterday on the government's Internet policy.

Last month, Clement used the social media website Twitter to announce the government's intention to overturn a CRTC decision that allowed usage-based billing.

The Twitter account in Prime Minister Stephen Harper's name also posted the message. While the government's decision to overrule the regulator was popular, many questioned using social messaging to make a formal policy pronouncement.

At a House of Commons committee, Liberal MP Marc Garneau wondered why even the head of the CRTC had to learn via the Internet that he was being overruled.

"Are we, in fact, setting government policy and government decisions by means of 140 characters that you send out in the middle of the night to tell the CRTC, a respected regulatory body, how decisions are made in this country?" said Garneau.

The length of a Twitter message, or tweet, is restricted to 140 characters of text.

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Social Media

- **Policy** "There is nothing different from articulating government policy via social media as compared to a news release, or a press conference or other means that have been traditionally available to politicians," said Industry Minister Tony Clement.
- **Communication** In recent days, a number of MPs and political staff have increased their use of Twitter to communicate government messaging, partially because the service is now being installed on House of Commons BlackBerrys.
- **Updates** Among others, Dimitri Soudas, a spokesman for the prime minister, has used Twitter to provide updates on the evacuation of Canadians from Egypt and Libya.

▶ Industry Minister Tony Clement appears at a committee hearing at Parliament Hill in Ottawa yesterday.

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Does he have a prayer?

Quebec mayor fights demands to cut religion at council meetings

A praying mayor in Quebec as run afoul of the forces of secularism.

Mayor Jean Tremblay has been slapped with a cease-and-desist letter demanding: Cut the Christian stuff.

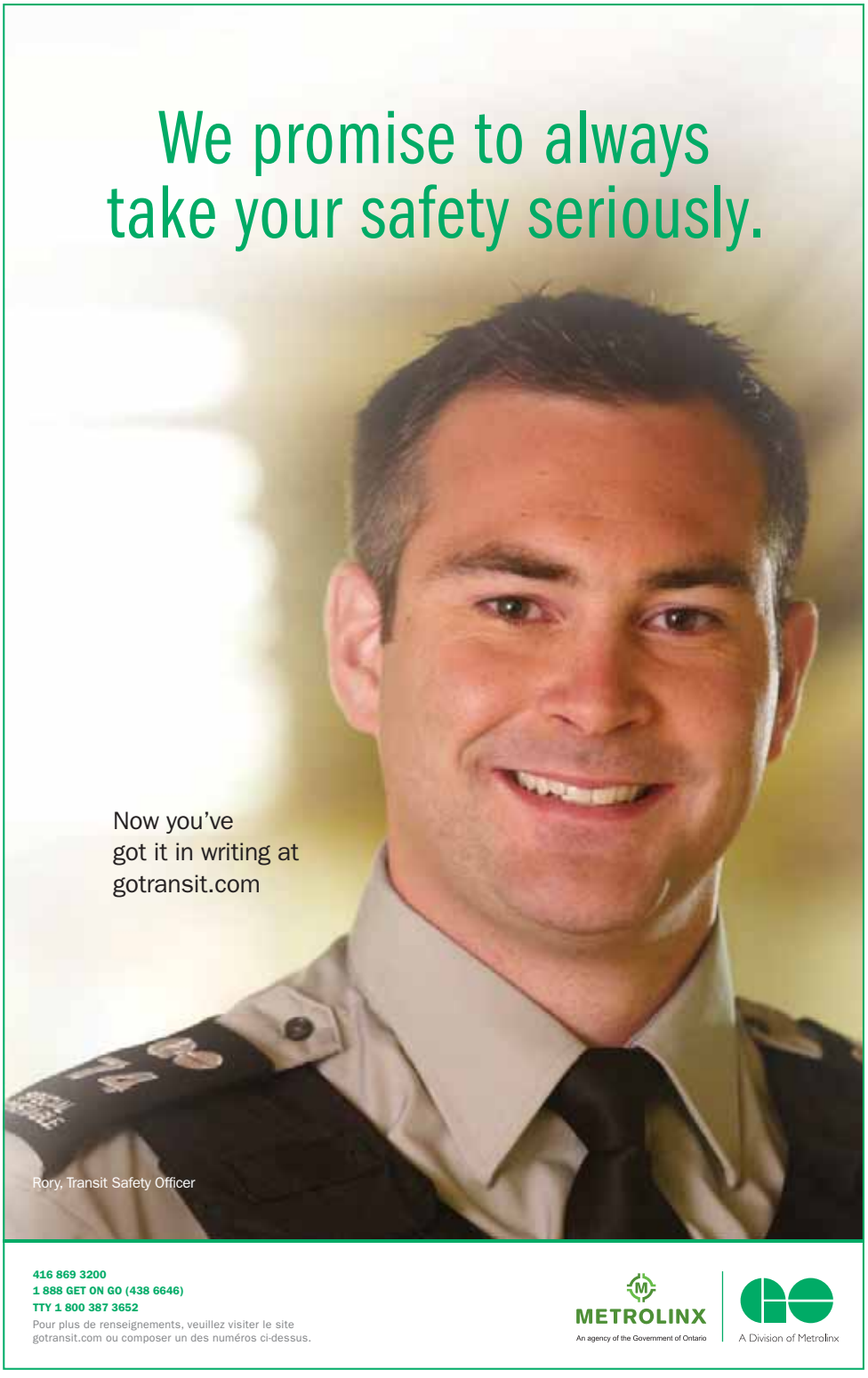
Tremblay, mayor of Saguenay, learned yesterday he has received a lawyer's letter demanding an immediate halt to prayers and the display of Christian items at council meetings.

Tremblay's opponents call his ongoing religious campaign an embarrassing distraction for the city.

The mayor has been soliciting funds, with an image of Jesus on the city's website, as he mounts a legal appeal against an order to take down religious items and stop praying at council meetings.

Tremblay says donations are pouring in from outside the city, as people of faith have sent $118,000 his way.

But his opponents are giving him 48 hours to start enforcing a rights tribunal's decision — that religion be taken out of the public meetings. THE CANADIAN PRESS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▶ Hercules is on a roll as he takes part in a demo by animal-rights activists in Bucharest, Romania, yesterday.

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A wheel-y top dog

Hercules was a Greek hero and strongman. Meet Hercules, a real hero in the canine world. An accident left this small dog's back legs paralyzed, but a unique set of wheels keeps him doggedly on the move.

McGill penalized

Montreal's prestigious McGill University faces punishment for boosting tuition fees for its MBA program by nearly 900 per cent in an effort to keep it competitive.

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Just sayin'

PAUL SULLIVAN

Two of our nation's most prominent icons came together in a Vancouver suburb Monday, as overflow patients at the Royal Columbian Hospital were treated at the hospital's Tim Hortons doughnut shop.

Which proves that if you live long enough, you'll get to write at least one totally mind-blowing paragraph just like that one.

But it's all true. They had 190 patients in the ER, and because all the broom closets were full, they moved the table and chairs out of the café and moved the patients and the gurneys in.

Hospital personnel got a little confused as the doughnut shop performed double-double duty as an extension of the ER.

Nurses caught themselves telling patients to roll up their rims instead of their sleeves and wanted to know if that EKG was to go. "You want it toasted?"

You want to know what's really hilarious? The doughnut shop is actually part of the hospital's official overflow plan. Some poor sap was forced to stand in front of the TV cameras and actually maintain they would do it again the next time they have 190 patients at once.

Yeah, right.

Which is it? A cleverly designed PR move to shame the province into forking over more money to the hospital, a sneaky plot to introduce private (franchise, no less) health care, a new way for ER personnel to get their coffee breaks on a busy night or a complete breakdown of the Canadian health-care system.

"It's also unfortunate for U.S. President Barack Obama, who's trying to convince his fellow Americans to make the U.S. system more like Canada's."

If you ticked All of the Above, you're probably right. Have a Timbit. Have another one.

I'm sorry, but a doughnut shop is a great place to get a cup of coffee and one (maybe two) of those tasty walnut-crunch numbers. It's not a great place to find out if you have a broken leg or the chicken pox. It's not on the menu.

It's also unfortunate for U.S. President Barack Obama, who's trying to convince his fellow Americans to make the U.S. system more like Canada's. I'm not sure what Rush Limbaugh will make of the spectacle of treating ER patients at Dunkin' Donuts, but, by the looks of him, he's at least familiar with the product.

Of course, it's not all bad. Where else can you get a BP/blood work combo with extra-large coffee? And it comes with a choice of biscuit or English muffin.

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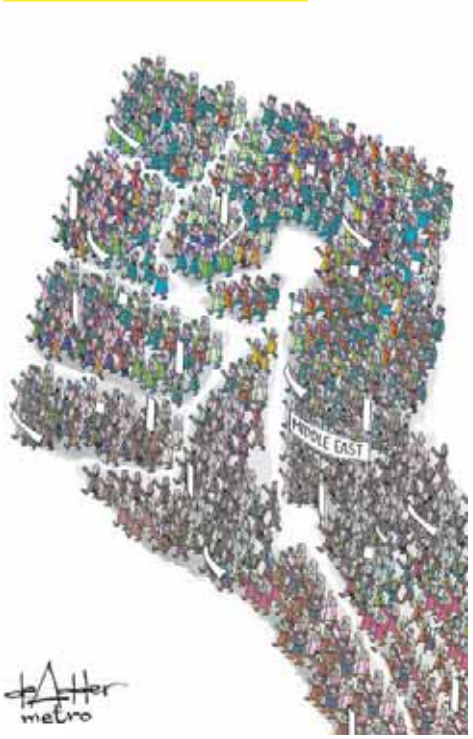

That filthy natural gas

Worth Mentioning

Researchers at the University of B.C. are clearing the air about clean fuel, saying that what may work to reduce emissions in Canada doesn't necessarily help in developing nations.

A new study has found that cheap engines found in the auto-rickshaws commonly used for public transport in Asian countries actually belch more greenhouse gases when run on the compressed natural gas being touted to tackle climate change here.

Lead author Conor Reynolds says that when the city of New Delhi, India, made clean fuels mandatory in 2003, policy makers didn't realize the solution for carbon emissions isn't one size fits all.

His team discovered there was only a minor reduction in air-pollution, which was offset by even higher levels of soot and methane spewing from the engines.

Reynolds says the study should be considered by decision-makers across Asia and Africa as they try to address pollution and global warming.

He says the emissions per litre of fuel from the low-grade auto-rickshaw engine was nearly the same as the amount expelled by a diesel bus.

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Clearing the air

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Should colleges be held accountable if their grads don't get jobs?

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Metro Minute at El Almacen on Queen

In South America, where the coffee grows wild and free, drinking a cuppa joe is no big deal.

For something different, Argentineans fill up a gourd with an infusion derived from local shrub yerba mate.

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Bank stays the course on interest

The Bank of Canada is sticking with its trendsetting rate of one per cent for at least another six weeks, giving no hint yesterday about when it might start raising the rate again to ward off inflation — an increasing threat given recent signs the economy is expanding strongly.

Few had expected bank governor Mark Carney to raise rates, but analysts were looking for a signal of future hikes after Monday's news that the economy grew by 3.3 per cent in the final quarter last year, a full point higher than the bank had projected.

Though the bank acknowledged the growth spurt, it warned that the risks to economic recovery — the strong dollar and poor productivity of Canadian firms — remain elevated. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Cable guys taking fight to top court

companies would wind up paying $5 or more per subscriber

The battle over whether broadcasters have the right to charge cable and satellite providers for carrying their programs is headed to the Supreme Court.

Rogers Communications Inc. said yesterday it will file for a leave to appeal with the top court over a decision this week by the Federal Court of Appeals.

That court ruled 2-1 that the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission had the right to establish a regime whereby broadcasters could attach a monetary value to their signals. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hot air

- Rogers and other distributors of TV network signals argue that the value-for-signal issue falls under the Copyright Act and is not in the jurisdiction of the CRTC.
- The cable and satellite companies have warned that extra costs will be passed on to consumers.
- Since the value-for-signal debate began, major networks such as CTV and Global have been purchased by the very distributors they were fighting.

GM. Concept

▶ GM is rolling out its new Opel EN-V concept car tomorrow at the Geneva International Motor Show.

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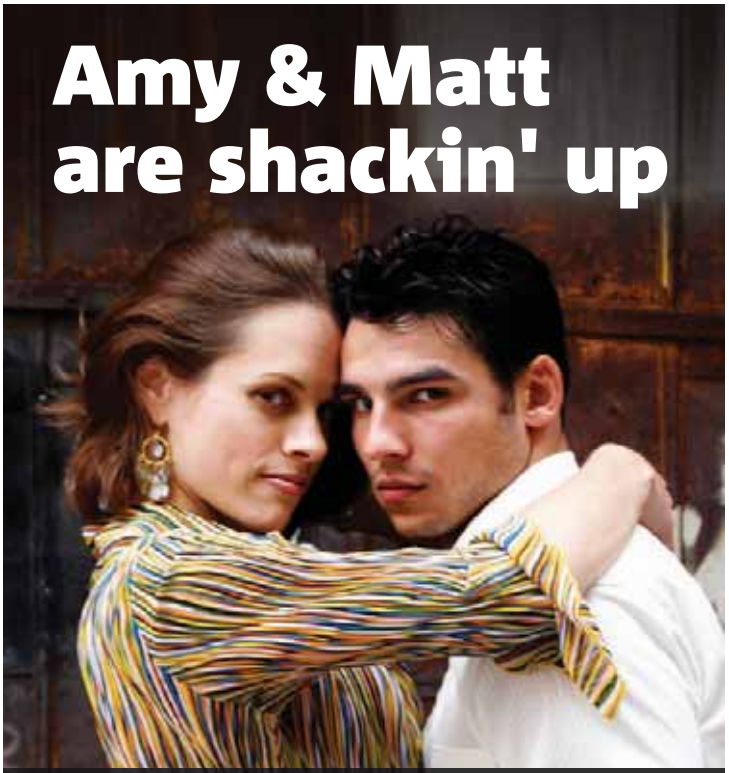

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Palin

The daughter of former Alaska governor Sarah Palin, Bristol Palin, has signed with William Morrow to publish the book Not Afraid of Life, to come out this summer. It will look at her life growing up in Alaska and coming of age amid the media and political frenzy surrounding her mother's political rise.
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Oprah Winfrey is coming to Canada to promote OWN. Scan or visit metronews.ca for story.

Oh needed for pair

Chemistry between Damon and Blunt shines through in latest movie

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▶ Matt Damon and Emily Blunt star in the Adjustment Bureau.

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The Adjustment Bureau may look like one of those serious-minded conspiracy films — and in a way it is, considering main character David Norris (Matt Damon) is being hunted down by strange suit-and-Fedora clad men trying to alter his destiny. But in sitting down with Damon and co-star Emily Blunt, there was more a mood of casual rom-com than nail-biting thriller, even after they were soberly asked to recall a moment in their own lives when fate seemed to intervene.

"I think Emily's chance to work with me must've been one of those moments," Damon cracks without missing a beat.

Blunt sarcastically admits he's right and goes on to explain that getting into her second choice university was what effectively gave her the career she has today.

Damon counters by adding that if he had chosen to star in Werner Herzog's Rescue Dawn rather than the Farrelly Brothers' Stuck on You, he never would have met his wife.

"Looking back on my career, I feel like as much as I tried to control as much as I could, a lot of it really is down to luck"
MATT DAMON ON THE ROLE OF FATE IN HIS CAREER

"Well, mine was better," Blunt quips at Damon.

"You went for the romance, you manipulated them."

It's obvious that the co-stars have a camaraderie that easily translated to Bureau, in which their characters meet by chance and share an instant attraction.

The mysterious titular bureau claims that the two cannot be together for reasons they cannot explain.

"What it really works as, is that the Adjustment Bureau is the obstacle to these people being together. It's never going to be Inception — it's never going to be that kind of intricate and complicated."

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▶ John Galliano

Comments get Galliano fired by Dior

John Galliano has been fired by Christian Dior, following yet further allegations of anti-semitic remarks made by the flamboyant designer, while drinking in the Marais district of Paris.

"I unequivocally condemn the statements made by John Galliano, which are in total contradiction to the longstanding core values of Christian Dior," Sidney Toledano, chairman and chief executive officer of Christian Dior Couture said.

For the time being the show will remain on schedule but regardless of the strength of the collection it is unlikely to receive the acclaim that is usually associated with this talented designer.

At the present time, Dior has declined to comment on who is set to replace Galliano.

RICHARD PECKETT

Portman

Natalie Portman condemned alleged anti-semitic comments made by designer John Galliano.

Quote "I am deeply shocked and disgusted by the video of John Galliano's comments that surfaced today."

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▶ Blade Runner was adapted from the Phillip K. Dick novel Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?

For someone who once famously said, "You would have to kill me and prop me up in the seat of my car with a smile painted on my face to get me to go near Hollywood," writer Phillip K. Dick certainly has a good Tinsel Town track record. Films based on his novels and short stories have made over $1 billion, a figure that is bound to increase with the release of this weekend's The Adjustment Bureau.

Based on Dick's short story Adjustment Team, the film stars John Slattery as a mysterious Adjustment Bureau agent who must keep star-crossed lovers Matt Damon and Emily Blunt apart. It follows along with at least one tradition typical of Dick's Hollywood adaptations — a title change.

Blade Runner was based on the 1968 novel Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep? The short story We Can Remember It for You Wholesale became Total Recall and Next, the Nicolas Cage movie, was loosely based on the short story The Golden Man.

"Phil often commented that he couldn't write good titles," said Dick's ex-wife Tessa.

"If he could, he would have been an advertising writer instead of a novelist."

Blade Runner is arguably Dick's most famous film but an early draft of the script so displeased Dick he went on the offensive, deriding it as Phillip Marlowe meets The Stepford Wives.

Later, however, when shown 20 minutes of special effects shots, the author came on board, saying the footage of Los Angeles in 2019 looked "exactly as how I'd imagined it!"

Ironically, director Ridley Scott later let it slip that he had never even read Dick's book.

Total Recall also had a similar rocky development from page to stage. Early on David Cronenberg was attached to write and direct but walked from the project when producers told him they wanted to change the story into something akin to Raiders of the Lost Ark Go to Mars.

Eventually it was made as an incredibly violent Arnold Schwarzenegger film Roger Ebert called "one of the most complex and visually interesting science fiction movies in a long time."

Despite the fact that Dick died in 1982 of a heart attack, interest in his work remains unabated. Disney is planning an animated adaptation of King of the Elves and Ridley Scott is reported to be producing a mini-series based on The Man in the High Castle for the BBC.

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▶ Christina Aguilera

Aguilera arrested

Boyfriend faces DUI charge after evening out

Christina Aguilera was reportedly arrested early yesterday morning in West Hollywood for public intoxication, according to TMZ. Her boyfriend, Matthew Rutler, was reportedly also arrested for a misdemeanor charge of driving under the influence. Aguilera was "extremely intoxicated" and "unable to take care of herself," law enforcement sources tell the website. Police initially pulled Rutler over because he was driving erratically.

"If the driver had not been arrested for DUI, (Christina) would have never been in trouble," the source says.

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Sheen goes public, loses publicist

Charlie Sheen has been on the publicity offensive this week, doing as many interviews as he can to discuss his infamous fallout with CBS and the creator of Two and a Half Men, capping it off with a 45-minute live chat with website TMZ in his backyard.

Shortly after the interview, Sheen's long-term publicist, Stan Rosenfield, quit. In response, Sheen told TMZ, "He's not allowed to quit, so you're fired."

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▶ Charlie Sheen

Performers under pressure over Gadhafi shows

Beyoncé Knowles, Mariah Carey, Usher and 50 Cent are among entertainers being pressured to return money they were paid for performing for Libyan dictator Moammar Gadhafi and his family, according to Rolling Stone. Nelly Furtado has already posted on Twitter: "In 2007, I received ($1 million) from the Gadhafi clan to perform a 45-minute show for guests ... I am going to donate the (money.)"

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Taking a ride on a zip line in The Rock

N.L.'s Marble Mountain offers some great skiing and snowboarding
Don't miss a heart-stopping zip-line ride over a huge gorge

I stood on the platform staring across Canada's highest zip line — a cable strung 85 metres over a plunging gorge at Marble Mountain, one of the best kept secrets in western Newfoundland.

"Have fun!" the guide urged me as I shook with fear but stepped from the edge, my feet suddenly dangling free over the vast chasm below.

I was secured to the down-sloping cable by two pulleys with cords attached to a harness with straps around my waist, legs, shoulders and chest.

Through my helmet I could barely hear the other zip liners cheering me on as I laughed like a kid on a rollercoaster. A spectacular view of the Humber Valley, cut through the foothills of the Appalachian Mountain Range — the same peaks that extend into Georgia — flashed past.

And before I knew it, I was slowing down as the cable angled upward toward the waiting guide who caught my lines at the receiving platform.

Now that's a knee-wobbling rush.

Marble Zip Tours offers eight lines criss-crossing the spectacular Steady Brook Falls near Corner Brook, N.L. The longest ride sprawls across 420 metres and is aptly described in promotional brochures as a heady blend of parachuting and flying.

But if hurtling over a deep void isn't quite your speed, Marble Mountain is also a winter wonderland featuring world-class skiing and snowboarding.

World-class skiing on The Rock? It's a fact so little known that lineups for chairlifts with names like "Newfie Bullet" are astoundingly short. They head up to 37 trails ranging from leisurely runs to double-black-diamond vertical drops of up to 519 metres.

And of course there's lots of typical Newfoundland humour. One run is called Blow Me Down, or as it's also simply referred to, OMJ, or Oh My Jesus.

Marble Mountain is geographically blessed with a climate that is typically one of the snowiest in Canada. But when the peaks were still bare in early January, panicked locals organized a snow dance. The region has been blasted with about two metres of powder ever since, creating some of the best skiing and snowboarding conditions in recent memory. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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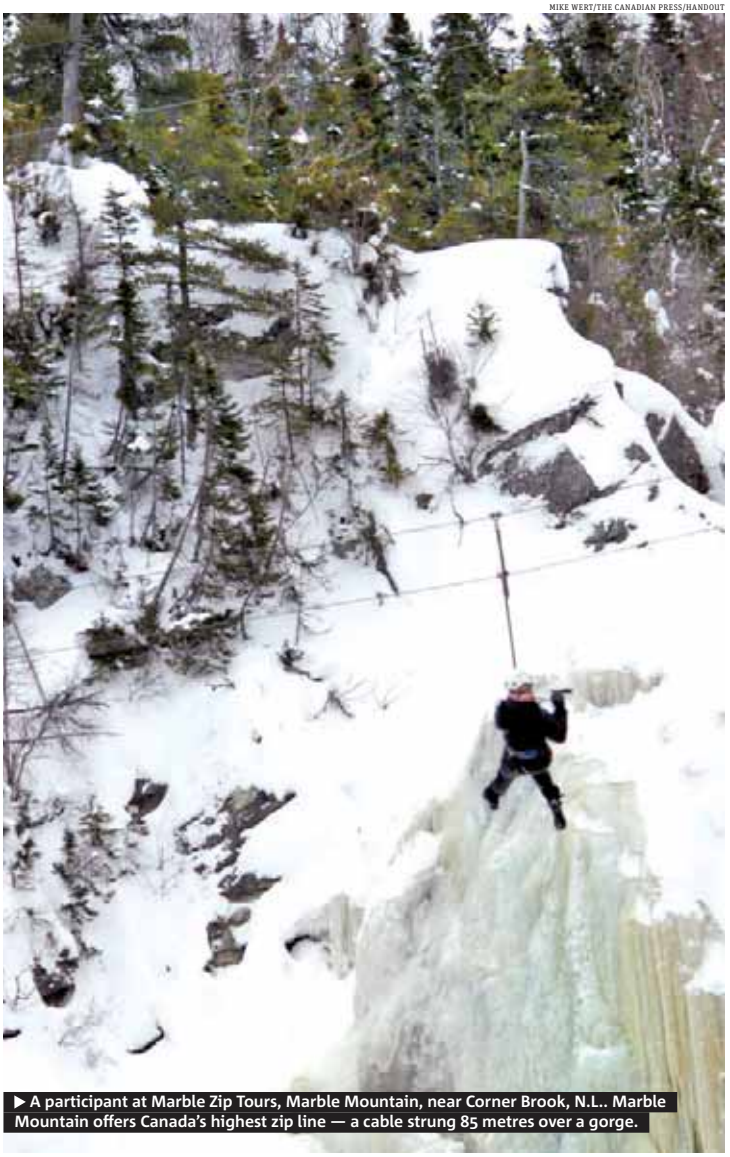

▶ A participant at Marble Zip Tours, Marble Mountain, near Corner Brook, N.L.. Marble Mountain offers Canada's highest zip line — a cable strung 85 metres over a gorge.

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Travel in brief

Chic Savvy Travels is a new website co-founded by Canadian journalists Vawn Himmelsbach and Tanya Enberg that offers some great advice and stories for female travellers. Dubbed A Backpacker's Guide for Grown-ups, the site has sections such as Relationship Road Test and Canadian, eh? Check out chicsavvy travels.com.
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Visit Big Apple's movie set

Matt Damon runs around some of the most famous landmarks in New York in his latest movie The Adjustment Bureau Pay a visit to the sets of your favourite movies and you'll take in many of New York's key sights

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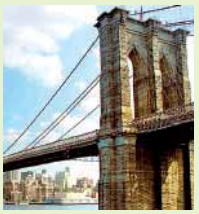
"Take an alternative tour of New York through the sets of your favourite movies"

In the new film, The Adjustment Bureau, Matt Damon and Emily Blunt run around a futuristic New York City, pursued by shadowy agents that are out to get them. But the Big Apple is even more fun with all the conspiracy theories and gun-toting baddies. Metro rounds up some of the best spots in the city as featured on the silver screen.



THE ADJUSTMENT BUREAU
Brooklyn Bridge

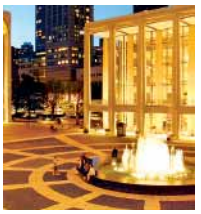
Before Matt Damon's rising politician ends up on the run, he's busy running for office, using landmarks including the famous bridge as backdrops for his campaign speeches. The first-ever steel-wire suspension bridge is one of the city's enduring landmarks and a great place to start your own chase scenes. A walk across also puts visitors in the right place to explore the gorgeous architecture of Brooklyn Heights.

I AM LEGEND
Washington Square Park

In this dystopian zombie flick, Will Smith holes up in one of the fancy townhouses alongside Greenwich Village's main attraction. Luckily for visitors, there aren't hordes of blood-thirsty monsters stalking the Washington Square Arch — and the park has just completed a $16 million refurbishment, sprucing up the unofficial centre of New York University's campus and aligning its famous fountain with that arch.

DIE HARD WITH A VENGEANCE
Central Park

The massive park in Manhattan is featured in many films, most thrillingly in the third chapter in the Die Hard franchise, when Det. John McClain (Bruce Willis) commandeers a cab and careens through the park to beat traffic. We don't recommend off-road driving — Central Park is a nature conservancy — but take a cue from the film and explore the less-familiar northern end of the park, for gems including the Harlem Meer and the Great Hil.



BLACK SWAN
Lincoln Center

While much of the action in this Oscar-nominated psychological thriller happens inside New York's famed ballet theatre, the surrounding area still gets a chance to show off. And it has plenty to boast about, as Lincoln Center recently underwent a four-year face-lift, with magnificent new facades and promenades worth checking out. Plus, with numerous performance venues including the homes of the Metropolitan Opera and the New York Philharmonic, there's plenty for connoisseurs of the arts to explore.

GHOSTBUSTERS 2
The Statue of Liberty

No visit to the Big Apple would be complete without checking out Lady Liberty, which came to life to save the day in this 1989 sequel. There's no word on whether she'll reprise her role for the anticipated Ghostbusters 3, but she's still accepting visitors in New York Harbor. And while the city would frown on your bringing the statue to life using ectoplasm and guiding it across the river to Manhattan, you can still visit for an awesome view of the city and experience a piece of New York history.

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From mid-March to the end of July, St. Lucia has some shy and rather elusive visitors — turtles. They're most likely spotted on the wild sweep of Grande Anse beach.

If you're keen on sightseeing, you can drive right up to the belching, bubbling Soufrière Volcano — a reminder of the island's origins and the reason its beaches come with black sand (admission $1.25). But it's the surroundings that make the trip. This part of St. Lucia is stunning, with the peaks of the Pitons rising from the coast, and a maze of inland roads hemmed by old plantations and sleepy, pastel villages.

The potholed, meandering roads of this island mean you'll soon want a break from driving. Consider swapping four wheels for four legs on a trail round crumbling Morne Coubaril sugar plantation (every day 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., $10): a horseback tour here takes in the dramatic sweep of beach at its very edges, the old mansion at its heart, and the various methods with which they cultivate coca, copra and manioc.

Party time comes at the end of the working week in St. Lucia, with casual Friday night parties in small villages and towns. In paintbox-coloured Anse-La-Raye toward the south of the island, Fish Friday marks the end of the week with stalls of fresh seafood laid out by the residents, and music throbbing from soundsystems strung high above the pavements.

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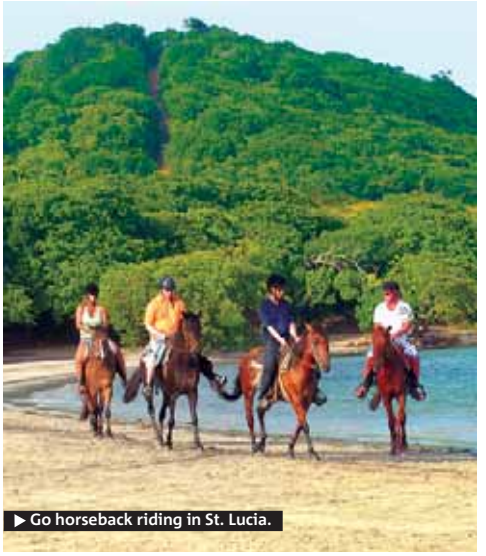

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Fresh and sweet cuisine in Shanghai

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It's a rare city that straddles the Old and New Worlds — developing and developed — but Shanghai is one of them. It's a city desperate to grow up, so skyscrapers shoot up, while traditional life thrives in the alleys between them.

This duality trickles down rather deliciously to the food. Those skyscrapers attract restaurants boasting top chefs with ambition to match the city's, and the lanes are a blur with steam from a thousand mom-and-pop kitchens. So you can eat for $5 a day or $50.

The dishes here are slightly sweeter than most Chinese cuisine. A key ingredient is sugar, nothing more complicated than that. Shanghaining are obsessed with freshness — even the supermarkets carry live fish, turtles, snakes — so local delicacies vary by the season. In winter, migrant workers push coal stoves roasting corn and sweet potatoes, and windows fog up from hotpots of boiling broth for dipping meat and veggies in. On summer nights, sweaty clubbers squat on pavement stools chewing on skewers of squid and pork. And in September hairy crabs appear, scaling their aquariums with fuzzy claws.

And that's just the cheap eats. In high-rise hotels, including the Grand Hyatt, star chefs serve platters of crispy Mandarin fish doused in sweet, sticky sauce, drunken chicken and shrimp, (named for the spirits they're simmered in), and sweet and sour pork ribs.

Flash restaurants get a spot on the river Bund, the old British enclave of Art Deco riverfront manors: the Whampoa Club is notable for its modern take on local specialities and sumptuous gilded decor. In the leafy French Concession area you'll find a range of atmospheric dining rooms in grand walled mansions. The cuisine here is so popular that even the foreigners cook it. Take a number at Taiwanese chain Din Tai Fung and you'll be rewarded with xiaolongbao (soup dumplings), widely considered to be the finest anywhere. Ditto at Singapore restaurant chain Crystal Jade. The menu here is overwhelmingly Shanghainese and it's got the busiest reservation log in town. That's flattery in its sincerest form.

For more information check out meet-in-shanghai.net.

Quick tips

▶ Shanghai Tang Café

EAT

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These two creative recipes prove that there's a lot more to sandwiches than just ham and cheese
Whether your preference is fish or beef, these are perfect for lunch, dinner or a snack

The joys of fried fish — minus the frying

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Fried fish can be delicious but also comes with a lot of fat and calories from being deep fried in oil.

This recipe for "Fried" Haddock with Red Thai Curry Mayo, adapted from the Associated Press, manages to find a creative way to infuse a basic baked "fried" haddock with the delicious taste of Thai red curry paste.

Making the fish couldn't be simpler. Just whisk eggs, mayo and mustard in one shallow bowl, and fill a second with panko breadcrumbs.

Then, dredge haddock fillets through the egg mixture, then through the panko, then bake them on a sheet in the oven.

Adding the gentle yet complex spicy heat of red curry paste is also made really easy.

However, just combining the curry paste with the egg mixture doesn't allow you to taste it, nor does adding it to the breadcrumb mixture (a messy proposal).

Instead, whip it into the mayonnaise, then slather that on a bun, add the fish and call it a day.

It's marvellously good and perfectly marries the tender taste of the fish with a nice and gentle, yet spicy, kick.

Ingredients:

- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp (5 mL) Dijon mustard
- 1 1/2 cups (375 mL) panko breadcrumbs
- 1 lb (500 g) haddock fillets, divided into 4 pieces
- Salt and ground black pepper
- 1/4 cup (50 mL) light mayonnaise
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) Thai red curry paste
- 8 large Boston or bibb lettuce leaves
- 4 hamburger buns

Preparation:

1. In a wide, shallow bowl, whisk together eggs and mustard. In another wide, shallow bowl, place breadcrumbs.
2. Season the haddock with salt and pepper. Dredge each piece of haddock in the egg mixture, letting excess drip off then coat in breadcrumbs evenly on both sides. Arrange fillets on greased baking sheet. Bake in 400 F (200 C) oven for about 10 minutes or until fish flakes when tested with a fork.
3. Meanwhile, in small bowl, whisk together mayonnaise and curry paste. Divide mixture over the bottom half of each bun, then top each with 2 lettuce leaves. Set haddock over lettuce and serve immediately.

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▶ "Fried" Haddock Sandwich with Red Thai Curry Mayo

Take a break with this pulled beef sandwich

Perfect for a cold night's dinner, this Pulled Beef sandwich is a new take on a favourite usually made with pork.

Catch up on some reading or enjoy a movie while the roast is in the oven and filling the kitchen with delicious aromas.

This recipe, adapted from The Canadian Press, makes enough for leftovers, too!

Preparation:

1. Heat large Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Brown beef on all sides. Remove to plate.
2. Pour the remaining oil into same pan. Add onion, celery and peppers and cook, stirring often, for about 5 minutes or until the onions are translucent and starting to brown. Stir the tomatoes, beef broth, oregano, salt and pepper. Add beef back into the pan with any accumulated juices, nestling it in the sauce so that it is completely submerged (add more broth if necessary). Bring to a boil.
3. Cover and transfer to a 325 F (160 C) oven and cook, turning occasionally for about 2 1/2 hours or until fork tender. Let cool slightly and using two forks pull roast apart, discarding any fatty bits.
4. Serve the pulled beef sandwich on warm buns or in warmed tortillas.

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Ingredients:

- 3 lb (1.5 kg) boneless beef blade roast
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) vegetable oil
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 celery stalk, chopped
- 2 cubanelle peppers, chopped
- 1 can (19 oz/540 mL) diced tomatoes
- 1 cup (250 mL) beef broth (approx)
- 1 tsp (5 mL) each dried oregano leaves, salt and pepper
- Rub beef with half of the oil

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▶ This recipe makes 10 servings.

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Slip on your interviewer's shoes

When attempting to land that dream job, it's important to consider what the recruiter wants to hear

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Getting dressed for a job interview?

Start by "putting yourself in the shoes of an employer and think what they would want to hear," says Laura DeCarlo, an interview coach.

Leenie Glickman, a career counselor from Boston, adds, "think about what they would want to hire.

"Prepare by writing down what traits and skills they would be looking for. Then it's almost irrelevant what they ask you because you already know what you want to tell them."

A command of the conversation puts your interviewers at ease, which you want to do during an interview.

Just Google 'em!

It's a 21st century given that your job interviewer is going to Google you — and probably gawk at all those Facebook photos you left online. But the web's translucent curtain goes both ways.

Take advantage!

"All these companies have LinkedIn groups," Glickman points out. "Use LinkedIn's advance search functions. Search for people who work at that company and find out more about them."

"As a job seeker, yes, you have a lot of fear, but in reality, it's just dress rehearsal," she continues. "If you get it wrong, you can always keep applying, keep learning. But an employer has a whole lot at risk when they're interviewing job seekers. They can be very insecure."

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The best interviews will take on a natural, conversational tone, career experts say.

They can also be dismally unprepared, she adds.

"There are a variety of unprepared interview types," she says. "They range from the leads-the-interview-astray-talking-about-wife-and-kids interviewer to the interviewer who is so shy and quiet that you're going to have a stilted interview if you're not outgoing and personable."

If you find yourself locked in an inquisition with a manager like that, be ready to manage your talk time like a chess player slapping the clock, Glickman suggests.

Studies show a jobseeker should speak about 20 per cent of the time during their first round interview.

"The best interviews are the ones where it's interactive," she notes. "They ask you a question, you give them the answer, you come back with a question. It feels conversational."

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BEWARE WHEN BASHING THE BOSS BRASHLY

Can you openly criticize your boss without fear of immediate dismissal?

Here are the tales of three employees who did just that and ended up paying for it with their jobs.

Upset following an angry confrontation with her boss, Maria Van Der Meij wasn't about to go quietly.

Believing that her boss had acted improperly during a meeting, Van Der Meij left the office and wrote to the company's board of directors, angrily criticizing her boss by accusing him of being a coward and lacking ethical standards.

The letter cost Van Der Meij both her job and her case, as a court later found that by spitefully criticizing her boss, her immediate dismissal was justified.

Similarly, following a number of poor performance reviews, Yingyi Chen had finally had enough of management's disdain. Knowing that the company was in a precarious financial position, Chen penned a letter to its shareholders widely expressing his dissatisfaction with management and how he felt the company was being run.

In siding with the employer, a court found that Chen had attempted to embarrass both his managers and the board of directors in the eyes of the company's shareholders, and that by doing so without a good reason, his termination was subsequently upheld.

Conversely, when Dawn Marie Bennett became concerned with the way her boss ran the small office where she worked, she complained. However, it was to no avail.

When the issues mounted, Bennett delivered a letter to her boss accusing her of being dishonest and negligent and suggesting that she was disorganized and incompetent. Bennett was fired almost immediately.

Unlike the other two cases, here the court sided with the employee. Why? Because Bennett's letter, while harshly worded, was intended to be kept private and not to embarrass her boss or the company.

In all three cases, the courts accepted that employees are generally entitled to criticize superiors without fear of immediate dismissal.

However, sometimes silence can be golden. While employees will often have complaints that are reasonable or justified, the manner and tone in which they express them must always remain professional.

When such criticism goes over the edge, an employer is not required to tolerate it.

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▶ Universities and colleges are starting to look at social media websites when deciding which students they'd like to accept.

Social media sites have redefined the process of getting into college. What you have shared about yourself online can be more revealing than SAT scores or an admissions essay.

According to a Kaplan survey, 88 per cent of admission officers believed social media was either "somewhat" or "very" important to their future recruitment efforts.

"What you do now stays in the public domain forever. It's easier to remove a tattoo," says Kenny Ossen, director of communications and broadcast media for SocialShield, a service designed to inform parents about social media.

While students can't change who they are, they can refine their image.

See above, for some easy tips.

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Tech Tips:

- If you wouldn't send a photo to your grandmother or college admissions counsellor, don't post it online.
- Make sure all content is set to private. Anyone can get hold of information if you don't protect it.
- Don't friend professors, but do like or follow their department online to show that you're interested.
- Be professional. Have an email that is used only for college applications and professional matters. Your personal email can trace social networking sites you belong to.

Doctors get a tech check-up

Students learning to make the most of new technologies

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▶ The Clinicians in Training program targets students and residents.

An initiative has been launched to better prepare Canadian medical students to practise in modern, technology-enabled clinical environments.

The Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada and Canada Health Infoway want medical schools, students and residents to join in a three-year project to strengthen learning in effective clinical use of information and communications technologies.

"In Canada and around the world, clinicians are improving quality of care, access and productivity through the use of information and communications technologies," said Jennifer Zelmer of Health Infoway, a federally funded organization formed to accelerate development of information technology projects across the country.

"By giving clinicians in training a good foundation on the effective use of these tools in clinical practice, physicians of tomorrow can better harness these benefits in their practices and for their patients," she said.

The Clinicians in Training project aims to improve clinical practice and patient care by supporting medical students and residents in their adoption and use of information and communications technologies, such as electronic medical records.

The program, involving Canada's 17 faculties of medicine, will include creation and sharing of curriculum-based resources and e-learning tools.

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Hoping to study abroad?

A one-day Study and Go Abroad Fair is taking place Sunday in Constitution Hall at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre at 255 Front St. W. from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Organized by Recruit in Canada, the fair will feature exhibitors from around the world looking to recruit Canadians for school and work. For more information, visit studyandgoabroad.com.

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Calderon leads Raps to rare win

New Orleans threatens to make comeback, but Toronto hangs on

RAPTORS	HORNETS
96	90

Jose Calderon had 22 points and 16 assists as the Toronto Raptors held on to beat the New Orleans Hornets 96-90 last night for just their fourth victory in their last 24 games.

DeMar DeRozan added 17 points for Toronto (17-44), while Andrea Bargnani, back after missing a game with flu-like symptoms, and Sonny Weems had 14 apiece. James Johnson added 13, and Amir Johnson grabbed 10 rebounds to go with eight points.

David West scored 19 points to top New Orleans (35-27), winners of just three of their last 12 games. Carl Landry and former Raptor Jarrett Jack scored 17 apiece, while former Raptor Marco Belinelli added 13 and Trevor Ariza finished with 10.

The Raptors have had trouble holding on to leads, coughing up a 19-point advantage en route to a 114-96 loss to the Dallas Mavericks on Sunday, and it looked like it was going to be more of the same versus the Hornets.

The Raptors led for most of the night, going ahead by as much as 17 points early in the third quarter. The visitors began to chip away at the lead, pulling within two points on a basket by Landry with 5:48 left in the game.

But back-to-back long jumpers from Bargnani and Calderon put Toronto back up by six.

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▶ Andrea Bargnani fouls Chris Paul last night.

Cheaper seats

Toronto Raptors games will be more affordable for season-ticket holders next season.

- Maple Leafs Sports and Entertainment Ltd. is lowering prices for next season in an effort to fill the Air Canada Centre. The reduced prices will remain in effect for the 2012-2013 season as well.
- Ticket prices in the lower bowl will decrease between five and 30 per cent.
- Upper-bowl tickets will be reduced by 10 to 15 per cent, making them the cheapest they've been in five seasons.

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Leafs preview

Penguins at Leafs
7 p.m.
TV: TSN
Radio: AM 640

The struggling Penguins (37-21-6) are looking to repeat the success of their last game, a 6-5 overtime win in Toronto over the weekend. Pittsburgh is expecting to have forward Tyler Kennedy and defenceman Paul Martin back from injury. That should help a team that is 3-5-2 in its last 10 games.

Although Toronto (27-27-9) is on a seven-game points streak, three of those games have been lost in extra time. The Leafs will need to fare better against the Penguins if they want to stay in the East's playoff picture. Toronto is 14-11-7 at Air Canada Centre this season.

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d-Philadelphia	62	40	16	3	3	203	159	86	20-8-1-2	20-8-2-1	6-3-1-0	L1
d-Tampa Bay	62	37	18	3	4	191	190	81	21-7-1-3	16-11-2-1	5-3-0-2	W3
d-Boston	63	37	19	2	5	195	148	81	15-12-1-2	22-7-1-3	6-4-0-0	W6
Pittsburgh	64	37	21	3	3	187	159	80	20-11-2-0	17-10-1-3	3-5-1-1	W1
Washington	64	34	20	5	5	170	162	78	18-8-2-5	16-12-3-0	5-5-0-0	W2
Montreal	64	34	23	4	3	168	165	75	20-8-3-3	14-15-1-0	4-4-0-2	W2
NY Rangers	65	33	28	2	2	181	160	70	14-16-1-2	19-12-1-0	4-6-0-0	L2
Carolina	64	30	25	4	5	186	194	69	17-10-1-2	13-15-3-3	4-4-1-1	W1
Buffalo	62	30	25	6	1	179	179	67	14-15-2-1	16-10-4-0	5-3-1-1	W1
Toronto	63	27	27	4	5	164	193	63	14-11-3-4	13-16-1-1	5-1-2-2	L2
Atlanta	64	26	27	4	7	179	208	63	14-13-1-5	12-14-3-2	2-6-1-1	L1
Florida	63	26	30	3	4	160	173	59	12-12-3-3	14-18-0-1	3-6-1-0	L2
New Jersey	62	27	31	3	1	132	164	58	13-13-2-1	14-18-0-1	9-1-0-0	W1
NY Islanders	64	23	32	5	4	173	206	55	12-15-1-3	11-17-4-1	5-3-2-0	L4
Ottawa	63	21	33	5	4	143	201	51	11-17-2-3	10-16-3-1	4-5-0-1	L1

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Vancouver	63	39	15	4	5	208	150	87	22-6-1-4	17-9-3-1	5-5-0-0	L1
d-Detroit	63	39	18	4	2	213	183	84	17-10-3-1	22-8-1-1	7-3-0-0	W2
d-San Jose	63	36	21	4	2	178	162	78	15-10-2-1	21-11-2-1	9-1-0-0	W6
Phoenix	65	33	22	6	4	186	189	76	15-11-3-2	18-11-3-2	6-3-0-1	L4
Calgary	65	33	23	3	6	196	182	75	19-10-1-3	14-13-2-3	6-2-1-1	W2
Los Angeles	63	35	24	2	2	178	156	74	19-10-1-0	16-14-1-2	6-2-1-1	L1
Chicago	63	34	23	2	4	202	174	74	19-14-0-0	15-9-3-3	7-1-0-2	W5
Dallas	63	34	23	2	4	174	177	74	18-9-2-3	16-14-0-1	4-5-1-0	W3
Nashville	64	32	23	5	4	162	153	73	15-7-4-3	17-16-1-1	4-4-1-1	L1
Minnesota	63	33	24	1	5	165	166	72	16-13-0-3	17-11-1-2	5-4-0-1	L1
Anaheim	63	33	25	3	2	176	186	71	18-10-1-1	15-15-2-1	5-4-1-0	W1
Columbus	61	31	24	3	3	170	181	68	16-13-0-2	15-11-3-1	6-3-0-1	L1
St. Louis	63	28	26	4	5	173	186	65	18-11-1-3	10-15-3-2	4-6-0-0	L2
Colorado	63	26	30	7	0	183	217	59	14-15-4-0	12-15-3-0	1-8-1-0	L3
Edmonton	64	21	35	1	7	160	212	50	11-19-1-3	10-16-1-3	5-5-0-0	W1

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results
Calgary 6 St. Louis 0
Montreal 3 Atlanta 1
Boston 1 Ottawa 0
Buffalo 3 N.Y. Rangers 2
Carolina 2 Florida 1
Dallas 3 Phoenix 2
Washington 2 N.Y. Islanders 1 (OT)
Edmonton 2 Nashville 1 (SO)
Columbus at Vancouver
Colorado at San Jose

Monday's results
Chicago 4 Minnesota 2
Detroit 7 Los Angeles 4
Tonight's games
All times Eastern
Pittsburgh at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Calgary at Chicago, 9 p.m.
Detroit at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

CANADIENS 3, THRASHERS 1

First Period
1. Montreal, Pacioretty 12, 13:22
Penalties — Montreal bench (too many men; served by Pacioretty) 1:34, Stuart Atl (slashing) 4:54, Plekanec Mtl (interference) 9:18, Stewart Atl (cross-checking) 20:00.
Second Period
2. Montreal, Wisniewski 7 (Kostitsyn, Desharnais) 0:34 (pp)
Penalties — Montreal bench (too many men; served by Kostitsyn) 1:59, Price Mtl (delay of game; served by Pacioretty) 6:18, Enstrom Atl (hooking) 11:12, Kostitsyn Mtl (hooking) 11:42, Hainsey Atl (hooking) 17:44, Plekanec Mtl (tripping) 18:00, Byfuglien Atl (high-sticking) 19:00.
Third Period
3. Atlanta, Antropov 11 (Stewart) 14:14
4. Montreal, Gionta 23 (Gomez, Pacioretty) 19:14 (en)
Penalties — Plekanec Mtl (interference), Thorburn Atl (roughing) 0:21.
Shots on goal by

Montreal	5	8	10	—23
Atlanta	9	16	16	—41

Goal — Montreal: Price (W,29-21-6); Atlanta: Mason (L,8-9-3). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Montreal: 1-5; Atlanta: 0-5.
Attendance — 11,156 (18,545) at Atlanta.

BRUINS 1, SENATORS 0

First Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — None.
Second Period — No Scoring.
Penalty — Spezza Ott (tripping) 14:02.
Third Period
1. Boston, Horton 18 (Marchand, McQuaid) 1:43
Penalties — Campbell Bos (charging) 3:24, Condra Ott (hooking) 6:50, Marchand Bos (holding) 16:23.
Shots on goal by

Boston	6	9	6	—21
Ottawa	10	14	9	—33

Goal — Boston: Rask (W 9-11-1); Ottawa: Anderson (L,16-17-3). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Boston: 0-2; Ottawa: 0-2.
Attendance — 16,826 (19,153) at Ottawa.

FLAMES 6, BLUES 0

First Period
1. Calgary, Tanguay 17 (Iginla) 18:20
Penalty — Janssen StL (charging) 11:25.
Second Period – No Scoring.
Penalties — Kostopoulos Cal (tripping) 7:33, Backes StL (holding) 9:54, Sarich Cal (holding) 16:43.
Third Period
2. Calgary, Iginla 26 (Morrison, Tanguay) 4:59
3. Calgary, Moss 16 (Giordano) 6:58 (pp)
4. Calgary, Iginla 27 (Morrison, Tanguay) 10:48
5. Calgary, Regehr 2 (Morrison, Bourque) 13:58 (pp)
6. Calgary, Hagman 11 (Backlund) 19:55
Penalties — Shattenkirk StL (boarding) 5:50, Kostopoulos Cal, Janssen StL (fighting) 7:46, Stewart StL (tripping) 12:42.
Shots on goal by

Calgary	16	5	8	—29
St. Louis	7	7	11	—25

Goal — Calgary: Kiprusoff (W,29-20-5); St. Louis: Bishop (L,2-3-0).
Power plays (goals-chances) — Calgary: 2-4; St. Louis: 0-2.
Attendance — 19,150 (19,150) at St. Louis, Mo.

OILERS 2, PREDATORS 1 (SO)

First Period
1. Nashville, Geoffrion 1 (Suter, Halischuk) 12:45
2. Edmonton, Vandermeer 2 (Gagner) 13:26
Penalty Smid Edm (interference) 17:45.
Second Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — O'Brien Nash (slashing) 2:58, Gilbert Edm (tripping) 11:50, Smithson Nash (holding) 14:10.
Third Period
No Scoring.
Penalties — Gagner Edm (slashing) 1:52, Fisher Nash (tripping) 10:42.
Overtime – No Scoring.
Shootout — Edmonton wins 2-1
Nashville (1) — Erat, goal; Fisher, miss; Legwand, miss; Franson, miss; **Edmonton (2)** — Eberle, goal; Hall, miss; Brule, miss; Omark, goal.
Shots on goal by

Nashville	18	12	4	1—	35
Edmonton	7	6	11	2—	26

Goal — Nashville: Rinne (OL,22-18-7); Edmonton: Gerber (W,3-0-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Nashville: 0-3 Edmonton: 0-3.
Attendance — 16,839 (16,839) at Edmonton.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
D.Sedin, Vcr	32	47	79
Stamkos, TB	41	37	78
St. Louis, TB	24	51	75
H.Sedin, Vcr	15	59	74
Zetterberg, Det	18	51	69
Perry, Ana	31	37	68
Crosby, Pgh	32	34	66
Ovechkin, Wash	24	39	63
B.Richards, Dal	24	39	63
Kopitar, LA	20	42	62
Toews, Chi	23	38	61
E.Staal, Car	27	32	59
Sharp, Chi	33	25	58
Iginla, Cal	25	33	58
Eriksson, Dal	21	37	58
Giroux, Pha	21	37	58
Kesler, Vcr	33	24	57
Selanne, Ana	20	37	57
Nash, Clb	29	27	56
J.Carter, Pha	28	27	55
Havlat, Minn	20	34	54

Not including last night's games

MLB

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Baltimore	1	0	1.000
Baltimore	2	0	1.000
Detroit	5	0	1.000
Seattle	2	0	1.000
L.A. Angels	3	1	.750
Boston	2	1	.667
Cleveland	2	1	.667
Kansas City	2	1	.667
Minnesota	1	2	.333
Oakland	1	2	.333
Texas	1	2	.333
N.Y. Yankees	1	3	.250
Tampa Bay	1	3	.250
Chicago W.Sox	0	2	.000
Toronto	0	4	.000

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Colorado	3	0	1.000
Washington	2	0	1.000
Atlanta	2	1	.667
Milwaukee	2	1	.667
Pittsburgh	3	2	.600
San Francisco	3	2	.600
Cincinnati	2	2	.500
Florida	1	1	.500
Philadelphia	2	2	.500
St. Louis	1	1	.500
L.A. Dodgers	2	3	.400
Chicago Cubs	1	2	.333
N.Y. Mets	1	2	.333
Arizona	1	4	.200
Houston	0	2	.000
San Diego	0	2	.000

Yesterday's results
Detroit (ss) 6 Toronto 2
Atlanta 3 Houston 0
Baltimore 12 Tampa Bay 6
Boston 5 Minnesota 0
Chicago Cubs 3 San Francisco 2
Cincinnati (ss) 7 Oakland 6
Cleveland 2 L.A. Dodgers 1
Colorado 7 Arizona 4
Detroit (ss) 6 Philadelphia 2
Kansas City 4 San Diego 3
L.A. Angels 2 Cincinnati (ss) 1
Milwaukee 3 Chicago White Sox 1
Pittsburgh 2 N.Y. Yankees 0
Seattle 5 Texas 4
St. Louis 7 Florida 1
Washington 5 N.Y. Mets 3

TENNIS

WTA MONTERREY OPEN

At Monterrey, Mexico
Yesterday's results
Singles — First Round
Ksenia Pervak, Russia, def. Julia Goerges (4), Germany, 6-1, 7-5.
Anastasija Sevastova (5), Latvia, def. Laura Pous-Tio, Spain, 6-2, 6-4.
Sara Errani (6), Italy, def. Johanna Larsson, Sweden, 6-2, 6-4.
Aleksandra Wozniak, Blainville, Que., def. Ximena Hermoso, Mexico, 6-2, 6-0.
Sybille Bammer, Austria, def. Andrea Hlavackova, Czech Republic, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.
Barbora Zahlavova Strycova, Czech Republic, def. Romina Oprandi, Italy, 6-0, 4-6, 6-1.
Lucie Hradecka, Czech Republic, def. Zuzana Ondraskova, Czech Republic, 6-2, 6-2.
Melanie Oudin, U.S., def. Vania King, U.S., 6-4, 6-1.
Olga Govortsova, Belarus, def. Renata Voracova, Czech Republic, 6-3, 6-1.

WTA MALAYSIAN OPEN

At Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Singles— First Round
Yesterday's results
Marion Bartoli (2), France, def. Maria Elena Camerin, Italy, 6-0, 6-1.
Alisa Kleybanova (3), Russia, def. Lu Jing-Jing, China, 6-1, 6-1.
Jarmila Groth (4), Australia, def. Sun Shengnan, China, 7-6 (2), 6-3.
Anne Kremer, Luxembourg, def. Kimiko Date-Krumm (7), Japan, 4-6, 6-2, 7-6 (5).
Bojana Jovanovski (8), Serbia, def. Tamarine Tanasugarn, Thailand, 6-0, 6-1.
Kurumi Nara, Japan, def. Elena Bovina, Russia, 6-3, 6-3.
Michaella Krajicek, Netherlands, def. Tatjana Malek, Germany, 6-3, 6-2.
Misaki Doi, Japan, def. Tetiana Luzhanska, Ukraine, 6-2, 6-3.
Ekaterina Ivanova, Russia, def. Nina Bratchikova, Russia, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4.
Dinara Safina, Russia, def. Han Xinyun, China, 6-2, 6-0.
Doubles — First Round
Alberta Brianti, Italy, and Zhang Shuai (2), China, def. Liu Wanting and Sun Shengnan, China, 0-6, 6-3, 10-8 (tiebreak).
Chang Kai-chen, Taiwan, and Urszula Radwanska, Poland, def. Jarmila Groth, Australia, and Lucie Safarova (3), Czech Republic, 6-2, 6-3.
Noppawan Lertcheewakarn, Thailand, and Jessica Moore, Australia, def. Cagla Buyukakcay, Turkey, and Ksenia Palkina, Kyrgyzstan, 4-6, 6-1, 10-3 (tiebreak).

CRICKET

WORLD CUP

GROUP A

	MP	W	T	L	Pt
Australia	2	2	0	0	4
Pakistan	2	2	0	0	4
Sri Lanka	3	2	0	1	4
New Zealand	2	1	0	1	2
Zimbabwe	2	1	0	1	2
Canada	**2**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**0**
Kenya	3	0	0	3	0

GROUP B

	MP	W	T	L	Pt
England	2	1	1	0	3
India	2	1	1	0	3
South Africa	1	1	0	0	2
Bangladesh	2	1	0	1	2
West Indies	2	1	0	1	2
Ireland	1	0	0	1	0
Netherlands	2	0	0	2	0

Yesterday's result
At Colombo, Sri Lanka
Sri Lanka (146 for one) def. Kenya (142, all out) by nine wickets.
Monday's results
At New Delhi
West Indies (330-8) def. Netherlands (115, all out) by 215 runs.
At Nagpur, India
Zimbabwe (298 for nine) def. **Canada (123, all out)** by 175 runs.
Today's match
At Bangalore, India
England vs. Ireland

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
d-Boston	43	15	.741	—
d-Miami	43	17	.717	1
d-Chicago	41	17	.707	2
Orlando	39	22	.639	5½
Atlanta	36	24	.600	8
New York	30	28	.517	13
Philadelphia	30	30	.500	14
Indiana	27	32	.458	16½
Charlotte	26	33	.441	17½
Milwaukee	23	36	.390	20½
Detroit	22	40	.355	23
New Jersey	17	43	.283	27
Toronto	17	44	.279	27½
Washington	15	44	.254	28½
Cleveland	11	48	.186	32½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
d-San Antonio	49	11	.817	—
Dallas	44	16	.733	5
d-L.A. Lakers	43	19	.694	7
d-Oklahoma City	36	22	.621	12
Denver	35	26	.574	14½
New Orleans	35	27	.565	15
Portland	33	27	.550	16
Memphis	34	28	.548	16
Phoenix	31	27	.534	17
Utah	32	29	.525	17½
Houston	31	31	.500	19
Golden State	26	33	.441	22½
L.A. Clippers	21	40	.344	28½
Sacramento	15	43	.259	33
Minnesota	14	47	.230	35½

d - division leaders ranked in top four positions per conference regardless of winning pct.

Last night's results
Toronto 96 New Orleans 90
Dallas 101 Philadelphia 93
Houston 103 Portland 87
Indiana 109 Golden State 100
L.A. Lakers 90 Minnesota 79
Memphis 109 San Antonio 93
Milwaukee 92 Detroit 90
Orlando 116 New York 110
Monday's results
Boston 107 Utah 102
Chicago 105 Washington 77
Denver 100 Atlanta 90
Phoenix 104 New Jersey 103 (OT)
Sacramento 105 L.A. Clippers 99
Tonight's games
All Times Eastern
Chicago at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Golden State at Washington, 7 p.m.
Phoenix at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
New Orleans at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
Charlotte at Denver, 9 p.m.
Portland at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Houston at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

RAPTORS 96, HORNETS 90

NEW ORLEANS (90)
Ariza 3-9 2-2 10, West 7-17 5-6 19, Okafor 0-5 1-2 1, Paul 3-10 1-1 7, Green 2-7 0-0 4, Landry 8-10 1-2 17, Belinelli 5-14 0-0 13, Pondexter 0-0 0-0 0, Jack 7-9 2-2 17, Smith 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 36-82 12-15 90.
TORONTO (96)
J.Johnson 5-6 2-2 13, A.Johnson 3-10 2-3 8, Bargnani 6-16 2-2 14, Calderon 7-10 5-5 22, DeRozan 8-17 1-1 17, Davis 3-4 0-0 6, Weems 6-12 2-2 14, Barbosa 0-2 0-0 0, Bayless 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 39-79 14-15 96.

New Orleans	20	22	20	28	—90
Toronto	27	30	15	24	—96

3-Point Goals—New Orleans 6-13 (Belinelli 3-5, Ariza 2-4, Jack 1-1, West 0-1, Paul 0-2), Toronto 4-10 (Calderon 3-4, J.Johnson 1-1, DeRozan 0-1, Bayless 0-1, Bargnani 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Orleans 43 (West 10), Toronto 47 (A.Johnson 10). Assists—New Orleans 17 (Paul 5), Toronto 29 (Calderon 16). Total Fouls—New Orleans 22, Toronto 17. Technicals—New Orleans defensive three second 2, Toronto defensive three second. A—14,704 (19,800) at Toronto.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	FG	FT	PTS	AVG
Durant, Okla	54	510	424	1539	28.5
James, Mia	58	530	388	1520	26.2
Stoudemire, NY	56	549	343	1450	25.9
Wade, Mia	56	512	359	1430	25.5

Not including last night's games

SOCCER

ENGLAND

FA CUP
FIFTH ROUND
Yesterday's result
Everton 0 Reading 1

PREMIER LEAGUE
Chelsea 2 Manchester United 1

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP
Derby 1 Doncaster 3
Middlesbrough 1 Nottingham Forest 1
Portsmouth 2 Scunthorpe 0

LEAGUE ONE
Brentford 1 Notts County 1
Bristol Rovers 0 Colchester 1
Charlton 1 Carlisle 3
Exeter 1 Tranmere 1
Hartlepool 0 Huddersfield 1
Walsall 1 Southampton 0
Yeovil 0 Brighton 1

LEAGUE TWO
Aldershot 1 Gillingham 1
Cheltenham 2 Stockport 1
Chesterfield 4 Wycombe 1
Lincoln City 3 Oxford 1
Northampton 2 Burton Albion 3
Shrewsbury 0 Bury 3
Torquay 1 Rotherham 1

GERMANY

GERMAN CUP
SEMIFINALS
Yesterday's result
Duisburg 2 Energie Cottbus 1

SCOTLAND

PREMIER LEAGUE
Yesterday's results
Hamilton 1 Hibernian 2
Inverness 0 Dundee United 2

FIRST DIVISION
Cowdenbeath 2 Queen of the South 2
Morton 0 Falkirk 0
Stirling 0 Ross County 0

SECOND DIVISION
Brechin 3 Dumbarton 3
East Fife 3 Peterhead 1
Livingston 3 Forfar 0
Stenhousemuir 3 Ayr 1

THIRD DIVISION
Annan Athletic 1 Berwick 1
Stranraer 3 Clyde 1

SPAIN

LA LIGA
Yesterday's results
Espanyol 1 Mallorca 2
Sevilla 3 Sporting Gijon 0

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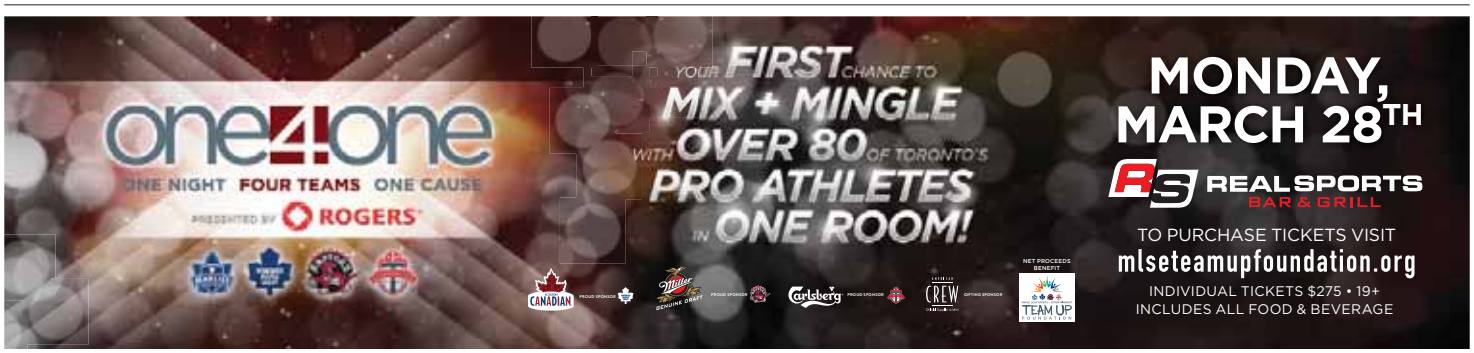
EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
Toronto	10	8	2	.800	117	91	—
Boston	9	6	3	.667	99	81	1½
Buffalo	7	4	3	.571	78	67	2½
Rochester	9	5	4	.556	85	96	2½
Philadelphia	9	4	5	.444	82	97	3½

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
Calgary	8	5	3	.625	91	89	—
Minnesota	8	4	4	.500	80	74	1
Washington	9	4	5	.444	115	108	1½
Edmonton	9	2	7	.222	93	110	3½
Colorado	8	1	7	.125	70	94	4

WEEK NINE
All times Eastern
Friday's games
Philadelphia at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Saturday's games
Calgary at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Rochester at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
Sunday's game
Buffalo at Boston, 5 p.m.



NBA

Kings get extension on move

The decision on a future home for the Sacramento Kings will be delayed at least another month after the NBA granted the team an extension yesterday to file an application for relocation next season, setting up a fight for the franchise between California cities.

The Kings, already engaged in talks about moving south to Anaheim, will have the opportunity to discuss their options at the NBA board of governors meetings April 14-15. The team has until April 18 to decide if it plans to relocate for next season, getting an extension on the March 1 deadline.

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Thunder lock up Perkins

Before even playing a game with the Oklahoma City Thunder, centre Kendrick Perkins signed an extension yesterday that will see him make about $36 million US while staying in Oklahoma City through the 2014-15 season. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Murphy picks Boston

Free-agent forward Troy Murphy has decided to join the Boston Celtics over the Miami Heat, ESPN.com reported yesterday. Murphy, 30, was bought out of his contract after being traded from the Nets to the Warriors.

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Jays still winless in exhibition play

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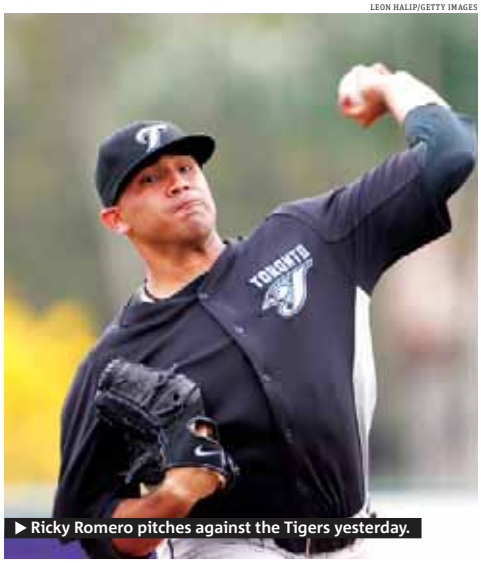

▶ Ricky Romero pitches against the Tigers yesterday.

Romero gives up four earned runs in his first start of the year

The punchless Jays extended their season-opening exhibition losing streak to four games, dropping a 6-2 decision to the Tigers at Joker Marchant Stadium.

Staff ace Ricky Romero made his first start of the spring and was credited with four earned runs in 2⅓ innings. It was not as bad as it looked, as all five base hits were on the ground through the infield.

"We did some stuff that we wanted to do," Romero said. "We wanted to work on sinkers today. Some of them were a little up in the zone, but if you go look back at it all those balls were just finding the holes."

Hill's test

Second baseman Aaron Hill, out with a strained quadriceps, will lead off each of the first two innings of the B Game in Clearwater today and will play one inning of defence to test his injured leg. If he passes the test, he should be in a game later this week.

Left-fielder Eric Thames smashed an opposite-field home run in the fourth inning, while Canadian third baseman Brett Lawrie singled, drove in a run and stole a base.

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HAS BURKE LEARNED HIS LESSON?

Opinion

ADAM PROTEAU
THE HOCKEY NEWS

Another NHL trade deadline has come and gone – and with it, there's traditionally been some residual angst among Maple Leafs fans.

This season, the angst level in Toronto was lower than in previous years, mainly because longtime Leafs defenceman Tomas Kaberle was shipped out of town after an interminable amount of trade speculation. Like Kaberle, now-former Leafs Francois Beauchemin and Kris Versteeg also were dealt well before Monday's cut-off point for trades, leaving somewhat of an anti-climactic feel to the deadline.

But once you forget about the rush of trade deadline day, it is clear Leafs GM Brian Burke did a very good job of getting maximum return on expendable assets this year.

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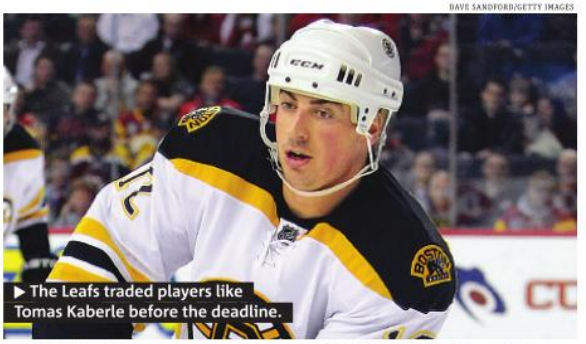

▶ The Leafs traded players like Tomas Kaberle before the deadline.

For Kaberle — traded to Boston for prospect Joe Colborne, the Bruins' first-round draft pick this summer and a conditional draft pick — Burke finally got good value for a player who is skilled on offence, but was a black hole of responsibility and solid positioning in his own end.

For Beauchemin — a battle-worn blue-liner who never seemed overly comfortable in Toronto — Burke landed another upper-tier prospect (U.S. college defenceman Jake Gardiner), underperforming-but-still-young winger Joffrey Lupul and a conditional draft pick.

And for Versteeg — a young winger who spoke openly about not being a good fit after being traded to Toronto last summer — Burke scored Philadelphia's first-round pick and an additional third-round pick.

In sum, Burke dumped three players who, while decent enough individuals, couldn't push the Leafs into clear-cut playoff contention — and in exchange, he built up Toronto's historically pathetic stockpile of draft picks and prospects.

Of course, by the time the entry draft rolls around, Burke may trade Colborne, Gardiner and/or the picks he has acquired for a player who can be of more immediate assistance to the franchise's on-ice product. If he does make any type move like that, he should be criticized heavily for it.

But for now, you can't accuse Burke of mortgaging the future for a quick fix for the present. He appears to have learned his lesson — and if he continues to show patience, Leafs fans will thank him in the years to come.

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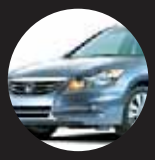

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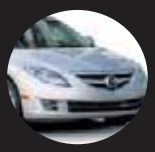

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Like a Regal

The 2011 Regal is already making waves, but its $33,400 base price nudges up against that of the larger LaCrosse.

This is where the Verano comes in since it will likely enter the market in the $28,000 range, including destination charges.

It will be as well equipped as the loaded Regal, at least for its base price, but the Verano's Chevrolet-Cruze-based platform and basic body structure is actually closer in size to the Regal than you might think.

Ground-breaking

Stylistically, the Verano and the Regal share the same shape and are adorned with similar grilles, but the Verano's seem proportionally larger. The neatly contoured fenders allow very little fender-to-tire gap, which hints at a sporty side.

The cabin is pure luxury, however. Although base models will come with leatherette (vinyl) and cloth seats, premium models will feature plenty of wood trim and plumped-up leather-covered seat cushions. For any compact car, and not just a Buick small car, this is ground breaking.

Engine

The Verano comes with a standard 177-horsepower 2.4-litre four-cylinder engine (also standard in both Regal and LaCrosse) that's mated to a six-speed automatic transmission.

An optional 220-horsepower turbocharged unit — also optional in the Regal — will eventually migrate to the Verano lineup.

▶ The Verano blends small size and luxury, which is a relatively new thing for North American automakers. But when you think about it, it makes perfect sense to sell well-equipped small cars.

An unlikely brand shows the way for small cars

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What does vehicle size have to do with luxury? Not much anymore.

Traditionally, compact models have been aimed at buyers seeking affordable wheels that stretched their fuel dollars to the max.

"Affordable" means limited features, of course.

However, that tradition is rapidly disappearing as vehicles, such as the upcoming 2012 Buick Verano, emerge to redefine and challenge the small-equals-cheap belief.

A Buick, redefining and challenging? You read it here first.

Upwardly creeping gasoline prices combined with pending government-legislated fuel-economy standards are changing the way North Americans think about small cars: they're beginning to actually need them.

As a result, automobiles sold in North America are starting to shrink, and engines are shrinking right along with them.

This fall's arrival of the Verano constitutes a major step in a new direction for Buick, but one that General Motors' up-level division seems fully prepared for, despite a history of large, pillowy driving sedans.

It's unlikely that the Verano's arrival will cause BMW or Audi much concern, but it might lure buyers considering a loaded-up Honda Accord or Toyota Camry to seriously consider a Buick, which would have been virtually unheard of five years ago.

▶ If you think of the evolution from the Chevrolet Cobalt to the Cruze to the Buick Verano, this interior shows amazing progress in a few short years.

▶ The only real trade-off between the Verano and a larger car, such as the LaCrosse, is size, but not as much as you might think.

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Buick hasn't yet released a full accounting of trim and content levels for the Verano, but standard items will include dual-zone climate control and 10 standard airbags.

Verano

What you should know about the 2012 Buick Verano.

- **Type:** Four-door entry-luxury compact sedan.
- **Engine (hp):** 2.4-litre DOHC I4 (177).
- **Transmission:** Six-speed automatic.
- **Market Position:** The luxury-compact-sedan segment is relatively new, at least for domestic automakers. It's driven by an increasing need for better fuel economy while still providing plenty of accoutrement. Is this the future of luxury?
- **Points:** Available state-of-the-art audio/communications system appeals to younger buyers.
- **Stats:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 10.3/6.3 (est.)

ALFA FLEXES EXOTIC MUSCLES IN GENEVA

Auto Pilot

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The Geneva Auto Show is one of the most anticipated events on the automotive calendar. It blows the CAA's Care Car Month right out of the water.

But the show is always hard on North American auto enthusiasts, populated as it is, with so much lovely forbidden European fruit.

Possibly the worst offender was Alfa Romeo, with its sublime 8C Competizione. Only 1,000 examples were built during 2007 and 2008 and it might be one of the most beautiful GT cars ever built. The spider version isn't too shabby either.

At Geneva this week, Alfa unveiled a successor to that 8C "halo" car — the Alfa Romeo 4C — and noted the vehicle will lead Alfa "back into markets such as the U.S., where we are not present today."

▶ This European beauty, the Alfa Romeo 4C, may come to North America soon.

So not only is there a beautiful new Alfa sports car to behold, but it looks like it will come to North America.

The industry suspected that Alfa might return ever since Alfa's parent company, Fiat, took over Chrysler. Fiat chief, Sergio Marchionne, hinted that future Alfa models might be built on world platforms that also underpin Chrysler and Dodge models.

Not sure that's in the spirit of Alfa Romeo, one of Europe's most storied sporting marques.

But the 4C at least is "all Alfa." The rear-drive two-seater closely follows the 8C's exotic formula. The chassis supports a body crafted completely from carbon fibre. The rear frame and "crash box" sections utilize a lot of aluminum.

Its 200-hp 1.75-litre four cylinder engine features direct injection and turbocharging, and is positioned "centrally" in the rear of the vehicle.

Net result: very low weight (less than 850 kg) and a very low centre of gravity.

And the net result of that will certainly be deft handling and lots of get up and go (an estimated top speed of 250 km/h top speed, and an estimated zero to 100 km/h acceleration run in under five seconds). While technically still a "concept," Alfa made it clear that the 4C "is not simply an exercise in style created for the Motor Show; it will be on sale in 2012 and is set to reinforce Alfa Romeo's global growth."

An interesting subplot with Alfa these days is that VW has publicly stated it would like to purchase Alfa. VW's chairman, Ferdinand Piech, even went as far to say that the VW group, Europe's largest car maker, would be able to quadruple Alfa's current annual sales performance (which has been terrible for a while now).

Speaking at an industry conference last month, Marchionne said, "As long as I am CEO of Chrysler and Fiat, Mr. Piech will never have Alfa Romeo."

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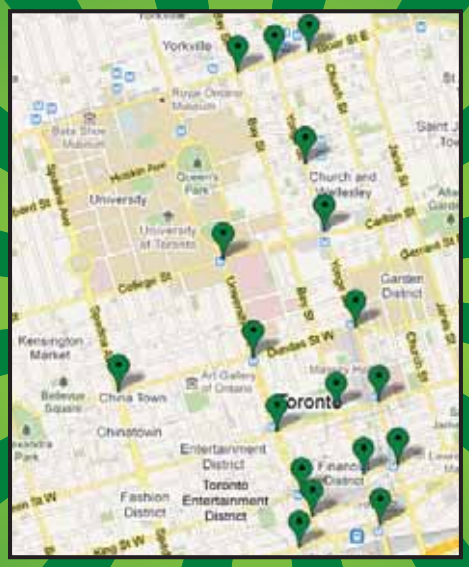

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What's the 4-1-1

- **Model:** 2004 to 2008 Acura TSX
- **Vehicle Type:** Sport sedan
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▶ 2007 Acura TSX

The first generation Acura TSX amounted to a high-class premium sport sedan that wouldn't cost owners a fortune to maintain, fuel or repair. Effectively a re-badged European-spec Honda Accord, the popular first-generation TSX was available from 2004 until 2008, inclusive.

Intended to compete with the Audi A4, BMW 3-Series and Lexus IS, the TSX offered up a relatively simple shopping process — as all models came in a front-drive configuration with four-cylinder power.

A 2.4 litre, 200-horsepower four-cylinder engine was standard on all TSX units, and required premium fuel. Five-speed automatic or six-speed manual transmissions were available. If you're looking for V6 power or All Wheel Drive, you won't find it in a used TSX.

Features included a sunroof, heated electric leather seats, a Bluetooth phone interface, driver computer, navigation, automatic climate control and plenty more. Full power accessories, premium interior trim and high-end audio systems were also on board. The mid-sized sedan offered adequate room for four adults and a ride set up for a nice balance of comfort and sportiness.

What Owners Like

Most first-gen TSX owners report satisfaction with fuel mileage, a slick-shifting manual transmission, great ride and handling balance and plenty of overall value for their money. Styling and interior layout round out the owner-stated positives.

What Owners Hate

Many TSX owners report that wind and road noise levels were higher than expected, and that interior panels may rattle and squeak as the car ages. Some owners wish for more low-end snap from the model's engine — which needs to be revved fast for maximum performance.

Common Issues

Some owners taking to the Internet to share their TSX ownership experiences report a weak or wimpy clutch that could wear out prematurely.

If you're considering a manual-equipped model, be sure the clutch isn't slipping or worn out.

Note any unwelcomed grinding sounds, and be sure the shifter doesn't try to "pop" out of gear, too. Have a mechanic check things out if you're unsure.

Check all electronics, including the memory seats, key fob, remote trunk release, and all locks and windows.

Window regulators and lock actuators were known to be issues on earlier models.

Finally, check the headlight housings for signs of discolouration or moisture damage — which may be caused by moisture leaking into the headlight assembly over time.

If unsure of the model's service history, be sure to budget for a full tune up and fluid change, just to be safe.

The Verdict

The first-generation Acura TSX looks like a very solid premium used car bet, and one that appears free of any major or systematic driveline problems. Of course, such reliability isn't usually cheap in the used vehicle marketplace — so expect to pay a premium for your used TSX. If you do, you'll likely join a largely satisfied group of owners.

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It may sound futuristic, but Volvo is already testing such a system, called platooning, in Sweden.

It relies partly on systems already available on Volvo cars, such as active cruise control, its City Safety collision prevention and blind spot monitoring, says Dr. Erik Coelingh, technical leader of active safety functions for Volvo Car Corporation.

"However, we do need to add vehicle-to-vehicle communication in order to control the motion of the vehicles in a safe and comfortable way," he says.

A trained operator drives the lead vehicle and could be a bus or truck driver, Coelingh says.

Eight to 10 cars would be ideal, since longer "trains" could block entrances and exits for other motorists.

To join a platoon, you would use your navigation system to find a road train going in your preferred direction, and once close enough, you'd send a request to the lead vehicle to join.

"After they accept, you electronically pay the lead vehicle driver and you semi-automatically join from the rear, similarly to approaching a lead vehicle with active cruise control," Coelingh says.

"Once you are at the targeted position, steering will also be done automatically."

Volvo said platooning may be viable in as little as 10 years.

Inflate your tires properly to stay safe and save money

Make sure you practise proper tire inflation techniques or you could find yourself calling a tow truck or, much worse, an ambulance.

Since the air pressure in tires supports 95 per cent of the weight of your car, it's absolutely imperative that you inflate your tires to just the right pressure, especially in winter when tires lose their pressure faster in colder weather. Under-inflating or over-inflating your tires increases your fuel consumption and therefore your costs, and increases the risk of damage and injury to you, your passengers and your vehicle.

Follow these tips from Transport Canada for maintaining proper winter tire pressure.

- Measure your tire pressure at least once a month.
- Measure the pressure when the tires are cold (after two hours or two kilometres of driving).

Tires lose pressure when the air temperature gets colder — about one pound per square inch (seven kilopascals) for every 5 C drop in temperature. Tires may also lose a certain amount of pressure due to their permeability (about two PSI or 14 kPa per month).

- Inflate your tires to the recommended pressures printed on the label inside your car door or in your owner's manual.
- Use a high quality pressure gauge such as those sold at automotive supply stores.
- Under-inflation increases rolling resistance, which reduces tread life and increases fuel consumption. It can also lead to sudden tire failure. Without enough air, the sides of a tire bend and flex too much. This builds up heat, which can cause serious damage.
- Operating a vehicle with just one tire underinflated by eight psi (56 kPa) can reduce the life of the tire by 15,000 kilometres and can increase the vehicle's fuel consumption by four per cent.
- Over-inflation can be a problem, too. An over-inflated tire rides on just the centre portion of the tread. The smaller contact area means reduced grip on the road, leading to a harsh ride, handling issues (such as steering and stopping problems) and increased wear on tires and suspension components.

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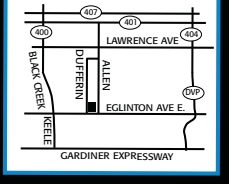

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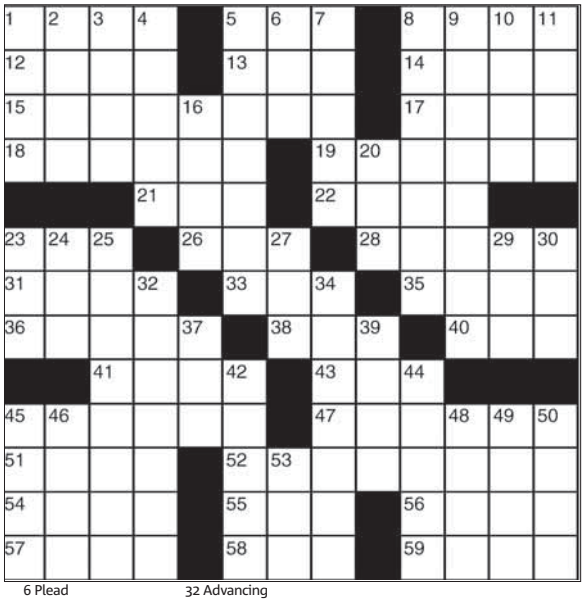

Across

1 Seeks answers
5 Couric's network
8 "Zounds!"
12 Beehive State
13 Chop
14 Unchanged
15 Bogart-Bacall movie
17 Animal's stomach
18 Swimsuit brand
19 Red-orange fish
21 Skillet
22 Old fogy
23 Actress Zadora
26 Edge
28 Card-game rule-book
31 Frizzy coiffure
33 Taxi
35 Insult
36 Highway warnings
38 Go down slightly
40 Early bird?
41 Hasn't paid yet
43 "Great!"
45 Rent payer
47 Sedative
51 Winged
52 Snail, on a French menu
54 Tennyson poem
55 Alias abbr.
56 Gator's kin
57 Picnic invaders
58 Wire measure
59 "Thirty days — ..."

Down

1 Diving birds
2 Staircase component
3 Comic Danny
4 Drag (Var.)
5 Habitual
6 Plead
7 Scabbard contents
8 Portuguese pre-euro money
9 Ugly-faced water-spout
10 Asian nursemaid
11 Moist in the morn
16 Hebrew month
20 "— -la-la!"
23 Joad and Kettle
24 "— Were King"
25 Any of Jason's crew
27 Frenzied
29 Haul
30 Work unit
32 Advancing
34 Lens created by Ben Franklin
37 D.C. VIP
39 Hemingway nick-name
42 Fulton's power source
44 Canoe material
45 Author Janowitz
46 Verve
48 Taj Mahal city
49 Tugboat noise
50 Engrave, in a way
53 Schuss

▶ Yesterday's answer

Sudoku

			2	6				7
9						5	3	1
		5					6	
			5	4				9
	5		1		8		4	
6				2	7			
	3					1		
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Yesterday's answer ▶

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3	7	5	8	6	1	9	2	4
6	5	7	2	3	4	8	1	9
4	3	9	6	1	8	5	7	2
2	8	1	5	9	7	3	4	6
1	2	8	7	5	6	4	9	3
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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 Take care not to fall out with someone in a position of authority today. By all means, stick up for yourself and protect your interests but don't make enemies of powerful people.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 Don't try so hard. The more you attempt to get ahead of the curve, the more likely it is you'll make a silly mistake. You don't have to prove yourself.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 If you allow yourself to fear the worst today, it could work against you by making you too cautious about a financial matter that requires an immediate and decisive response. Nothing is ever as bad as it seems. You know that.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 You may be none too happy with what's been going on in your life, but what are you going to do about it? It's time to give some serious thought to what changes need to be made.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 You may be right to be skeptical about what you've been told but don't take it to extremes and believe that everyone is out to deceive you. If someone offers to help, chances are they are just being friendly.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Don't commit to anything you have not checked out, even if a friend tells you there is nothing to worry about. That may be true for him or her but can you be sure it is true for you?

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 If you jump to conclusions today, you may find out later that you got it totally wrong. Give loved ones the benefit of the doubt even if you suspect they are not being entirely truthful.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 This is one of those days when you will feel happier, and achieve more by following the path of least resistance. Don't worry too much about your long-term plans. All roads lead to your ultimate goal.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Try not to attach too much importance to what your five senses tell. There is a chance they will lead you astray. That applies especially to money issues.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 No matter how strong your opponent is, you can beat him or her if you use brains as well as brawn. What is his or her weak point? Make that your target, and hammer at it.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Your ability to express yourself may be restricted but that does not stop you from thinking. When you do get a chance to get your point across, no one will doubt that you know what you are talking about.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 Anyone who tries to give you advice will be left in no doubt that you don't need it. All well and good, but don't bite his or her head off. No need to be so intense. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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